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Fort Almanac—Dec. 5.

Sun Rises	6.55 A M
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High Water at Wilmington	6 25 A M

FORECAST FOR TO DAY.

Fair; colder; southwesterly winds, becoming northwesterly.

OUTLINES.

The United States Tobacco Company, Richmond, Va., has made an assignment. —— Three men killed and a score of persons injured in a collision of electric cars at Detroit, Mich. —— Gov. Griggs, of New Jersey, has been offered the place in President McKinley's cabinet to be vacated by Attorney General McKenna, but will not take office before the beginning of next year. —— Germany threatens to bombard the coast forts and perhaps the city of Port-au-Prince if Hayti refuses demands. —— The Spanish government it is said will present a claim for damages to the United States because of the recent landing of an expedition in Cuba by the steamer Dauntless. —— The M E Conference will meet next year in Elizabeth City; appointments will be made Monday. —— Postmaster-Rapier of Mobile, Ala., refuses to surrender the office to the new appointee until the term for which he was appointed expires; the matter has been reported to the law branch of the government. —— The troubles in Austria-Hungary threaten to result in a dissolution of the empire, which in turn may cause a reconstruction of the map of Europe. —— The industrial situation in Great Britain is depressing; the cotton industry is threatened with paralysis. —— A treaty of peace between Turkey and Greece was signed yesterday. —— President McKinley left Canton, Ohio, yesterday afternoon for Washington. —— Souly Ryan shot and killed his wife at Greensboro last evening; no cause is given. —— German reinforcements sent to China number 1,400 men, with field artillery and machine guns. —— Smallpox is spreading rapidly in Cuba. —— Geo. F. Slosson won the billiard contest for the championship of the world. —— The defence in the Luetgert trial is likely to be hampered by the refusal of experts to have any connection with the case. —— Disturbances in Bohemia continue. —— Senator Davis says the Hawaiian annexation treaty will be taken up in the Senate next Tuesday; Senator Fry is in favor of action favorable to the Cuban insurgents. —— New York markets: Money on call nominal at 1½@2 per cent.; cotton quiet —middling 5⅞c; flour dull and easy; wheat—spot weak; No. 2 red 97¼c f. o. b. afloat; corn—spot easy, No. 2 33⅜c f. o. b. afloat; rosin steady; strained common to good $1.40@1.45; spirits turpentine firm at 32¾@33¼c.

It is said that President McKinley declines to pose as a gold dummy. Quite sensible in him.

The people of Wilmington, Del., presented the gunboat Delaware with a punch bowl and Bible, a somewhat unique combination.

If Mrs. Luetgert were to put in her appearance it would relieve some Chicagoans of the suspicion that they might have eaten her.

A French professor declares that Adam was a Cainaman. That's about the roughest thing we have ever heard alleged against Adam. He's dead, too, and can't resent it.

A cable dispatch says, "China will not provoke hostilities" with Germany. China is not in a mood to provoke hostilities with anything big enough to hit back.

A report comes from Kentucky that the stock of "sperits" on hand exceeds the capacity of the warehouses. Let them try the capacity of the Kentucky Col.

That Georgia fellow who proposes to run for Congress on a lynching platform expects to get the swing on the sovereigns and rope enough of them in to elect him.

A Louisville, Ky., paper rises to explain that the toll gates in Kentucky "must go!" Judging from the reported operations of the noctural smashers they are doing it.

Senator Teller would wind up the "endless chain" pretty soon if he was running the Treasury. He would offer silver to those who present greenbacks for redemption, and would fear no raids.

Hon. Tom Watson rises to ask what Marion Butler "has done with the Populist party?" Tom shouldn't ask silly questions. Marion has utilized the Populist party to climb into the U. S. Senate. Don't you see?

A report comes that some Washingtonians who enlisted in the Belgian army and were on duty in Africa had been captured and eaten by Kaffir cannibals. There are very few soldiers who kaffir that kind of glory.

Hon. Simon Bolivar Buckner has written a letter in which he says he cannot act with the free silver Democratic party nor with the Dingley tariff Republican party, so it seems that Mr. Buckner must continue to go it alone and remain lonesome.

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The Wisconsin Forestry Commission has succeeded in inducing the lumber barons who own large tracts of timber lands to replant the denuded districts with trees a year old, and hope thus to restore the forests. It is a little singular that this idea didn't occur to the lumber barons.

An old soldier in Leavenworth Kansas, who had recently married a young wife, (one of the pension pursuers) became so much dissatisfied with the duplicate arrangement that he jumped into a vat of hot water and cooked himself to death. Now the young woman will proceed to rake in the pension.

Notwithstanding the recent report that the Philippine islands have been "thoroughly pacified," the latest we have is to the effect that some prominent rebels had just been killed in an engagement with the Spaniards. They seem to be using the Weyler brand of "pacification" in the Philippines also.

A New York paper says "money is the devil." Perhaps the editor who entertains that opinion has a devil of a time getting it. But the description will not fit this section, for they tell us that the devil is all around, but money isn't, and it can't be that kind of a devil in these parts.

A New York Judge has decided that as the husband and wife are, under the laws of that State, one the wife cannot sue the husband for damages when he mauls her with a club. That may be law, but if he killed her would it be case of something like suicide?

The statement that the skeletons of 75,000 persons were found on that old battle field in Indian Territory where that battle was fought 20,000 years ago indicates that the Indian Territory fellow was pretty considerable of a hustler in a scrimmage.

Chicago is making a movement for pure beer. As they can't eat the water, not all of them being fond of hash, they depend on beer to quench their thirst, and think they ought to have it pure, or thereabouts.

Daniel Fortune, of San Francisco, thinks he has discovered his fortune in Philadelphia, and has proceeded to disturb the repose of that town by claiming a big hunk of land right in its midst.

Music may be a civilizer, as claimed by some, and yet the organ grinder is not as popular as he might be.

An Ohio dispatch says Hanna has "pacified the opposition," but it fails to state how much it took.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

JAS C MUNDS—Bristles.
D. O'CONNOR—For rent.
HAMME—Latest style hats.
MERCER & EVANS—A card.
SEACOAST ROAD—Schedule.
J. A. SPRINGER & CO.—Coal.
W. B. COOPER—Holiday goods.
J. J. SHEPARD—Slaughter sale.
WANTED—Position as organist.
A. G. RICAUD—Assignee's sale.
F. T. MILLS—Horses and mules.
AGENTS—Life of Gen. R. E. Lee.
A. D. BROWN—A few specialties.
VOLLERS & HASHAGEN—Cigars.
KING GROCERY CO—Seasonable.
J. H. REHDER & CO.—Novelties.
SAM'L BEAR, SR.—Just received.
OPERA HOUSE—Merry Minstrels.
F. H. STEDMAN—Money to lend.
WIL. ST'P WORKS—Dating stamp.
J. W. MURCHISON—Christmas turkey.
F. H STEDMAN—Fire and tornado insu.
I. B. RHODES—Every dog has his day.
WIL BREW G ASSO'N—Ice 40c per 100.
W. E. WORTH & CO—Thanks'g dinner.
C. W. POLVOGT CO—Holiday goods.
WIL. SAVINGS & TRUST CO.—Interest paid on deposits.

NEW BUSINESS LOCALS.

WANTED—Salesmen.
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COTTAGE—For sale.
WANTED—Active man to travel.
BOARD—With or without lodging.
P. H. HAYDEN—Dog carts, harness.

A Superior Lead Pencil.

The paper pencil manufactured by the Blaisdell Paper Pencil Co., Wayne Junction, Philadelphia, though not very long on the market, is rapidly winning its way to popular favor. The pencil is a self-sharpener, and is made in many different styles and colors. The graphite used is of a high grade, free from grit. The manufacturers will answer all inquiries and will send samples on application.

Special sale of underwear during this week at the C. W. Polvogt Co. †

Use Standard Patterns sold by the C. W. Polvogt Co. †

LOCAL DOTS

Items of Interest Gathered Here and There and Briefly Noted.

— See fourth page for other new advertisements.

— Judge Thos. R. Purnell left for Raleigh last night, where he holds court this week.

— The British steamship *Skidby*, hence for Bremen, arrived yesterday at Dartmouth, Eng.

— The Board of Audit and Finance will meet in regular session Tuesday afternoon at 3 30 o'clock.

— The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Aldermen will be held to morrow night at 8.30 o'clock.

— The regular monthly meeting of the Board of County Commissioners will be held at 2.30 p. m. to-morrow.

— During the past week Register of Deeds Norwood issued marriage licenses to one white and two colored couples.

— Rev. Dr. W. S. Creasy, of Winston, arrived in the city Friday evening and will conduct services at Grace M. E. church this morning and evening.

— The receipts of cotton yesterday were 3,838 bales, against 561 bales on the same day of last year. Receipts at all the ports yesterday, 66 335; same day in 1896 the figures were 37 884.

— Rev. P. R. Law, of Lumber Bridge, arrived in the city last evening and will preach at St. Andrew's Presbyterian church this morning and to-night, in the absence of the pastor, Rev. A. D. McClure.

— Rev. Will B. Oliver will conduct the services for seamen in the Reading Room of the Seamen's Home this afternoon at 3 o'clock. A cordial invitation is extended to all persons interested to be present.

— Rough rice is being brought to this market in large quantities. A good deal of it is South Carolina grown and is hauled to the city in sharpies. The price has fallen a little recently and rules now at about $1 00 per bushel.

— A meeting of the Daughters of the Confederacy will be held Wednesday afternoon, the 15th inst., in the assembly hall W. L. I. armory. As this meeting will be the last held before the annual meeting, a full attendance is desired.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington & Weldon R. R.—1,328 bales cotton, 9 bbls tar, 20 bbls crude turpentine.

Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta R. R.—1,957 bales cotton, 80 casks spirits turpentine, 149 bbls rosin, 22 bbls tar, 27 bbls crude turpentine.

Carolina Central R. R.—813 bales cotton, 6 casks spirits turpentine, 88 bbls rosin, 11 bbls tar, 60 bbls crude turpentine.

Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley R. R.—296 bales cotton, 48 casks spirits turpentine, 113 bbls rosin, 80 bbls tar.

Steamer W. T. Daggett—17 bales cotton, 2 casks spirits turpentine, 22 bbls rosin, 8 bbls tar.

Schooner Berta M. T.—25 bales cotton.

Wood flat—2 bales cotton.

Total receipts—Cotton, 3,888 bales, spirits turpentine, 86 casks; rosin, 321 bbls; tar, 80 bbls; crude turpentine, 107 bbls.

John C. Davis Discharged from the Insane Asylum.

Information was received in the city yesterday from Dr. Geo. L Kirby, superintendent of the Insane Asylum at Raleigh, to the effect that John C. Davis had been discharged from the asylum and that Davis was perfectly sane and there was no danger of him (Davis) hurting himself or others. Dr. Kirby recommended that Davis be brought back to this county. There are numerous cases, charging fraud, now standing against Davis in the courts of this county, and it is probable that he will be tried for the commission of these alleged fraudulent transactions.

Record of Deaths and Births Last Week.

The records in the office of Dr. W. D. McMillan superintendent of health, show that during the past week there were twelve deaths—seven whites and five colored—and fourteen births—eight whites and six colored.

Deaths during the past week were caused by the following diseases, viz: Malaria, 1; inanition, 1; convulsions, 1; pneumonia, 1; dropsy, 1; brain fever, 1; tuberculosis, 1; old age, 1; premature birth, 1; grippe, 1; unknown, 2.

Magistrates' Courts.

In Justice Fowler's court yesterday William Blake, colored, was tried and adjudged not guilty of abandonment.

Before Justice Braunemann George Barnes, colored, was arraigned charged with firing a pistol within the city limits. He was adjudged guilty, but judgment was suspended upon payment of costs.

Exports of Cotton.

Messrs. Alex. Sprunt & Son cleared on yesterday the British steamship *Corinthia*, Captain Roberts, for Ghent, Belgium, with 8,814 bales of cotton, valued at $113 849. The *Ormsby* was cleared at 8 o'clock last night by the same firm for Bremen, Germany, with a cargo of 9,385 bales of cotton, valued at $274,796.

Agents Wanted.

The Brooklyn Life Insurance Company of New York, a regular company of thirty years' standing, during which time it has paid out hundreds of thousands of dollars to beneficiaries in the State of North Carolina alone, is about to re-open an agency force in that State. This is an excellent chance for a Managing General Agent, also for District Special Agents; men of good repute and experience should apply with full particulars to Brooklyn Life Insurance Company, 51 Liberty street, New York city. †

LADIES' CLOAKS STOLEN.

Three Negro Boys Charged With the Theft—One of the Three Arrested.

John Swindell, a negro boy about sixteen years of age, was arrested by the police yesterday charged with being implicated in the larceny of two ladies' cloaks.

Thursday afternoon last, Mrs. Mott, who resides on the corner of Sixth and Grace streets, entrusted to three negro boys the care of two cloaks, instructing them to carry the cloaks to Messrs. Johnson & Fore's store, but the articles never reached their directed destination, as the three young scamps sold them and made off with the money.

Mrs. Mott notified the police of the theft, and yesterday morning information was received at the City Hall that the three negro boys who stole the cloaks were at that time in a house in Schutte's alley, which runs from Bladen to Hanover streets, between Seventh and Eighth. Chief of Police Melton and Policeman Knox went to the house and succeeded in capturing one of the boys, John Swindell, but the other two made their escape. Swindell acknowledged that he was one of the boys to whom Mrs Mott gave the cloaks, to be carried to Messrs. Johnson and Fore's, but stated that he had nothing to do with the theft, as one of the other boys took both of the cloaks to the cart house on Seventh street, between Market and Dock, and sold them to a countryman, and that he and the other boy, who had nothing to do with the sale of the cloaks received no portion of the money. Swindell is now confined in the guard house.

CITY MARKETS.

Fresh Meats, Fish, Vegetables, Fruits, and Poultry, in Good Supply.

The city markets presented yesterday quite an appetizing array of vegetables, fruits, meats, poultry, etc. Eggs sold at 20c per dozen. Prices of other articles were as follows:

Vegetables—Sweet potatoes, 15c per peck; Irish potatoes, 30c per peck; cabbages, 3 to 10c each; turnips, 5c per bunch; rutabagas, 5c per bunch; pumpkins, 5 to 30c each; collards, 5c per head; lettuce, 3½ to 5c per head; spinach, 30c per peck.

Meats—Loin steak, 12½c per pound; round, 10c; chuck beef, 6 to 7c; stew, 5 to 6c; mutton, 10 to 12½c; veal, 10 to 12½c; tongue, 12½ to 15c; fresh pork 10c; sausage, 10c; venison, 15c.

Oysters—New River, $1.00 per gallon; Stump Sound, 80c; Myrtle Grove, 50c.

Poultry—Grown fowls, 25 to 35c each; young chickens, 12½ to 25c each; dressed chickens, 65 to 70c per pair; dressed turkey, 12½ to 15c per pound.

Fish—Mullets, 10c per bunch; drums, 25c per pair; trout, 30c per bunch.

LAID TO REST.

The Remains of the Late Stephen A. Craig Interred at Oakdale.

The funeral of the late Stephen A. Craig, who died at 11 o'clock Friday morning was conducted from the residence, 711 Dock street, yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock, Rev. Dr. W. S. Creasy, of Winston, officiating, assisted by Rev. J. B. Harrell. Orion Lodge No. 67, I. O. O F., attended in a body and there were representatives also of the other lodges of Odd Fellows.

After the services at the residence the procession moved to Oakdale cemetery, where the interment was made. The burial ceremony of the Odd Fellows was conducted by Mr. Jno. S. Barnes, acting as Noble Grand, and Mr. James M McGowan as Chaplain. The pall-bearers, who were chosen from Orion Lodge of Odd Fellows, were Jno. E. Silva, Wm. J. Reaves, F. B. Rice, P. T. Dicksey, Thos Myers and Jno. E Gordon.

OPERA HOUSE.

Merry Minstrels the Attraction To-morrow Evening.

The attraction at the Opera House tomorrow evening will be Fields and Hanson's Merry Minstrels. They will present a programme of refreshing minstrelsy, that is to say, their performance is new, and is devoted solely to special features and timely surprises, while the entertainment in its entirety is "swept by ocean breezes" of genuine "1897" wit. A brand new curtain raiser, the newest thing in minstrelsy, is called "An Evening with the Elks," and serves to introduce the entire organization in a series of song and story of recent issue. A recently added number, "The Golden Shower," is a positive novelty, and is described as a romance of the Klondike, terminating with "The Dance of Dawson City's 400."

Advance sale of seats commenced yesterday morning at Gerken's.

MILLIE CHRISTINE.

The Greatest Product of North Carolina Surnamed the Carolina Twins to Remain Here One Week Longer.

A brief description might be of interest to the subscribers to the STAR.

She is a physical wonder—or rather two wonders in one—and is undoubtedly a rival to the famous Siamese twins. There is a total absence of anything that is vulgar or repulsive about her whose four bright eyes and dazzling rows of pearly teeth light up a fair creole complexion with an animation that is really attractive. Here is a woman with one body but two separate heads that are possessed with marvellous intelligence that predominates in both brains.

Some of the sweetest music ever sung by a high soprano and a pure contralto is produced. The notes issue from two heads, and yet but one trunk supplies the nerve. Some may have an idea that she or they are repulsive. If this prejudice should carry any so far as to avoid her, they will be the losers. It is declared that no person of ordinary intelligence can be in her company but a short time without yielding to the charm of her manner, and the fascination of her double smiles. †

If there is anything you want, advertise for it. Is there anything you don't want? Advertise it in the Business Locals of the STAR. One cent a word. But no ad. taken for less than 30 cents. tf

IN THE FEDERAL COURT.

Arguments Concluded in the Case of the United States vs. Thos. P. Devereaux, Trustee—Other Cases Disposed Of.

The United States Court assembled at the usual hour yesterday morning, 9 o'clock, and argument in the suit brought by the United States vs. Thos. P. Devereaux, trustee, et al., to obtain the ownership of Smith's Island from the heirs of the late Major John Walker, who are now in possession, was resumed. E. S. Martin, Esq., counsel for the defendants, continued his argument commenced Friday afternoon. Upon the conclusion of Mr. Martin's speech, which was an able one, P. D. Walker, Esq., and Junius Davis, Esq., both counsel for the defence, followed, and made fine arguments. E. K. Bryan, Esq., counsel for the Government, who made the opening address Friday afternoon, then made the concluding argument, which was a well constructed and terse one.

Upon the conclusion of argument by counsel, Judge Purnell announced that he would reserve his decision in the case.

The case against the pleasure yacht *Republic*, libelled Thursday night for wages owing to six of the crew, which wages were alleged paid in advance of labor performed to creditors of the sailors, contrary to law, was taken up. Jno. D. Bellamy, Esq., representing the plaintiffs and Thos. Evans, Esq., the defendants. The case was decided in favor of the plaintiffs, and judgment against the yacht given to the six seamen as follows, besides court costs, viz: John Connor, $8; D. Match, $8; Walter Grant, $30; Mike Ferro, $5; Geo. Martinson, $10; Constantine Darmick, $5.

The *Republic* sailed yesterday morning for New York, Capt. A. H. Randlette, the master, having furnished bond to secure the libel and release the yacht. Mr. J. W. Norwood, president of the Atlantic National Bank, of this city, was Capt. Randlette's surety, having signed a $400 bond.

Other cases disposed of during the session of the court yesterday were as follows:

A. G. Ricaud, receiver, vs. W. D. Wooten et al. Final decree.

Chas. O'Donnell Lee et al. vs. Peregoy-Jenkins Co. Petition presented to recover taxes paid, and commissioner ordered to pay the amount.

Thos. A. McIntyre vs. Geo. W Kidder. Continued.

A. G. Ricaud, receiver, vs. Ann Roberts Taylor. Continued.

A. G. Ricaud, receiver, vs. Geo. L Morton. Dismissed at defendant's costs.

A. G. Ricaud, receiver, vs. Wilmington Savings and Trust Company, administrators Jas. Dawson. Non suit.

A. G. Ricaud, receiver, vs. Wilmington Savings and Trust Company, administrators M. S. Dawson. Non suit.

A. G. Ricaud, receiver, vs. Wilmington Savings and Trust Company. Non suit.

State Board of Education vs. the New Jersey and North Carolina Land and Lumber Company. Motion made to amend complaint and amendment allowed filed, the Court to pass upon it. Case set for trial on Tuesday the second week of next term of Court.

J. M. Brown vs. Clyde Steamship Co. Set for trial the second Thursday of next term.

A. G. Ricaud, receiver, vs. L. Tainter. Alias summons.

A. G. Ricaud, receiver, vs. A. J. Person. Alias summons.

A. G. Ricaud, receiver, vs. the City of Wilmington. Judgment for plaintiff. Notice of appeal given and appeal bond fixed at $300.

Court at 2 o'clock adjourned *sine die*.

Preparations for the Doll's Bazaar.

The "Doll's Bazaar," to be given Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings of this week at the City Hall by the Young People's Organ Fund Society of Grace M. E. church, promises to be a grand success. Every night a magnificent programme of spectacular features and music will be rendered. The department where dolls will be offered for sale will afford mothers a rare opportunity to purchase Christmas presents for the little ones. In this department can be found doll wardrobes and dolls of every variety. One of the catchy features will be a doll wedding, embracing the groom, the bride and six bridesmaids, dressed in the most fashionable manner.

The admission to these entertainments will be ten cents.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS.

We heartily thank the following friends for contributions to the Catherine Kennedy Home during the past month and call attention to Tuesday next as being our regular visiting day: Five packages through Mrs. Oscar Pollyaw; Mrs. B. Solomon, Mrs. S. Solomon, Mrs. Harriss Yopp, Mrs. Turney, Mrs. H. F. Wilder, ten packages; Mrs. James Post, Jr., Mrs. Fennell, Mrs. Bridgers, Miss Maggie Hankins, Mrs T. E Davis, Mrs. Peschau, Mrs. C. W. Davis; J. L. Croom & Co., one turkey; six loads of wood, a friend, Mrs. Melton; Messrs. S. & W. H. Northrop, a load of wood and bushel of potatoes; Miss Puss Hancock, medicines and barrel of potatoes; Messrs. Rhodes and Hayes, Mr. J. F. Garrell, Mrs Roger Moore, Mrs. R J. Bunting, five packages.

LADIES BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

Rev. Joseph N. Starr.

Rev. Joseph N. Starr, of Fayetteville, who accepted the rectorship of St. Paul's Episcopal church, this city, about three weeks ago, and who since has ably filled the pulpit of that church, has accepted a call from St. Ann's church, Annapolis, Md., much to the regret of the entire congregation of St. Paul's church. Rev. Mr. Starr will be assistant rector of St. Ann's church, and will leave for his new field of labor next Tuesday. He will, as usual, conduct the services at St. Paul's church to-day.

If in need of a Carpet or Window Shade visit the C. W. Polvogt Co. †

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Pertinent Paragraphs Pertaining Principally to People and Pointedly Printed.

— Mr. W. B. Brice, of Wallace, was in the city yesterday.

— Dr. D. I. Watson, of Southport, came up to the city yesterday.

— Mr. John P. Banner, of Mount Airy, was a visitor to the city yesterday.

— A. G. Ricaud, Esq., went to Southport, on a business trip yesterday afternoon.

— Mr. D. C. Venters, of Rocky Point, was a welcome caller at the STAR office yesterday.

— Mr. J. R. McPhail, of Clinton, was here yesterday, calling on the wholesale merchants.

— Mr. John E. McCraw, registering from North Carolina, was registered at The Orton yesterday.

— Mr. K. C. Barrett, route agent of the Southern Express Company, was registered here yesterday.

— Rev. Paul C. Morton returned last night from Burgaw and will fill his pulpit at Immanuel church to-day as usual.

— Mr. B. A. Jones, of Roanoke, Va., the president of the Roanoke Chemical Company, recently removed here, has arrived in the city with his family and will reside at 114 South Third street. Mr. Jones is a business man of recognized ability and is a valuable acquisition to the city.

INSURANCE COMPANIES.

Complete List of Fire, Marine, Guaranty and Accident Companies Licensed in North Carolina.

The STAR has compiled from the records the following complete list of the Fire, Marine, Guaranty and Accident Insurance Companies licensed to do business in North Carolina, December 1st, the date of the latest report of the Secretary of State:

Ætna; American Bonding and Trust Company; American of Pennsylvania; American Surety; Atlanta Accident Association; Atlanta Home; British America; Caledonian; Carolina; Commercial Union; Connecticut; Connecticut Indemnity Association; Continental; Delaware; Equitable; Fidelity and Casualty; Fidelity and Depont; Fire Association, of Philadelphia; Fireman's Fund; Georgia Home; German American; Glens Falls Insurance Company; Globe Fire Insurance Company; Greenwich; Hamburg-Bremen; Hanover; Hartford; Hartford Steam Boiler; Home; Imperial; Insurance Company of America; Lancashire; Lion; Liverpool and London and Globe; London Assurance; London and Lancashire; Magdeburg Fire; Manchester; Manhattan Fire, formerly Mutual; National; National Surety Company; Newbern Mutual Fire; Niagara; North British and Mercantile; North Carolina Home; Northern; Norwich Union; Norwood; Orient; Palatine; Pamlico Insurance and Banking; Pennsylvania; Phœnix; Phœnix of Hartford, Phœnix of London; Piedmont, formerly Carolina Mutual; Preferred Accident; Queen; Royal; Saint Paul; Scottish Union and National; Southern Stock Mutual; Southern; Springfield; Standard; Sun Insurance Office; Sun Mutual; Teutonia; United States Fidelity and Guaranty; United States Casualty Company; United States Fire; Union Casualty and Surety Company; Union Assurance Society; Virginia Fire and Marine; Virginia State; Westchester; Western; Williamsburgh City.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

St. Thomas' church—First mass and Holy Communion, 7 a. m; last mass and sermon, 10.30 a. m; Vespers, sermon on Faith, Heb. x, 7 45 p. m.

Services in St. John's church to-day, second Sunday in Advent, by the rector, Rev. Dr. Carmichael, at 7.45 and 11 a. m. and 4 30 p. m. Sunday school 3 30 p. m.

St. Matthew's English Lutheran church, Fourth street above Bladen street, Rev. G. D. Bernheim pastor. Morning service at 11 o'clock; evening service at 7.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 9 30 a. m. All seats free, and every person cordially invited.

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran church, corner of Market and Sixth streets, Rev. K. Boldt pastor—English service and confirmation at 11 a. m.; German service at 7.30 p. m. Sunday school at 3 30 p. m. All seats free.

Chapel of the Good Shepherd, Geo. M. Tolson, minister in charge.—11 a. m., Morning Prayer, Litany, Ante-Communion, Sermon; 7 30 p. m., Evening Prayer and service; 3 30 p. m., Sunday school; 8 p m, Monday, Brotherhood of St. Andrew; 7.30 p. m., Tuesday, Boys Brigade. Seats free and the public cordially invited to all the services Sunday

COLORED CHURCH.

St. Stephen's A. M. E. church, corner Fifth and Red Cross streets, Rev. I. S. Lee, D. D., pastor. Preaching this day at 10 30 a. m. and 7 30 p. m by the pastor. Sunday School at 1 30 p. m. Sacrament of the Lord's Supper at 3 p. m.

GOOD HUNTING AT ORTON.

A Fox Chase in Which the Hunters Have Rare Sport.

For diversity of game the Orton vicinity has hardly a rival. That is what Mr. James Swann, of Iaman, Swann & Co., of New York, who has been hunting with Col. Murchison during the past week, says. Wild turkeys, ducks, quail, and even an eagle—these are some of the different varieties of game which Mr. Swann has bagged, but they are not the only ones, nor those in the pursuit of which the most exhilarating sport is experienced. Last Thursday morning the hunters had a fox chase—this was the very acme of their enjoyment. They had as fine fox hounds as could be procured, and after a six hours' chase succeeded in bringing down two fine red foxes. The participants report that the sport was extremely exciting.

One Cent a Word.

Hereafter advertisements to go in our Business Locals" department will be charged one cent per word for each insertion; but no advertisement, however short, will be taken for less than 30 cent

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WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUNDAY MORNING, DEC. 5, 1897

EUROPE VS. AMERICA.

Count Goluchowski, Foreign Minister of Austria, seems to be very much concerned at the economic conditions and prospects of European countries and believes that their only salvation lies in a combination which would unite them in opposition to the advances of the United States, which he looks forward to with much solicitude. In a speech recently delivered in the Austrian Parliament he is quoted as saying:

"A turning point has been reached in European development which calls for the unremitting attention of governments. The great problems of material welfare, which have become more pressing every year, are no longer a matter of the future, but require to be taken in hand at once.

"The destructive competition with trans-oceanic countries which has partly to be carried on at present and partly to be expected in the immediate future requires prompt and thorough counteracting measures if vital interests of the peoples of Europe are not to be gravely compromised. They must fight shoulder to shoulder against the common danger and must arm themselves for the struggle with all the means at their disposal. Just as the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries were absorbed by religious wars, as the eighteenth century was distinguished by the triumph of liberal ideas, and our own century by the appearance of nationality questions In like manner the twentieth century would be, for Europe, a period marked by a struggle for existence in the position commercial sphere. The European nations must close their ranks in order successfully to defend their existence. May this be realized everywhere, and may the epoch of peaceful development we now confidently anticipate be employed in collecting our strength and devoting ourselves chiefly to this end."

He went further and said that he was informed by "an exceptionally well informed friend" that the result of the failure of the movement to bring about "international agreement" as to the remonetization of silver would result in the organization of a pan-American league in favor of silver, in which he saw danger, too. The spirit of this hostility to America (which in this case means the United States), is the Dingley tariff which the European statesmen look upon as practically prohibitory and as closing the market in this country against the products that European countries had been selling to us and hence we find retaliatory measures advocated and favored in several of those countries. None of these have as yet taken the shape urged, although there has been much talk and feeling shown by those who discuss them.

There is very little probability that Count Goluchowski's programme will go any further than its enunciation, for while the European nations may have a common cause of complaint against the Dingley tariff they have conflicting interests which would prevent them from long acting in concert. It so happens that they do not buy from the United States anything they can produce themselves, or buy from other countries upon more favorable or as favorable terms. They buy principally our food stuffs, and they buy only as much of these as they are compelled to have, or what they can't get on better terms in some other country. Therefore we do not think there is any occasion to view with alarm on this side of the water any propositions of this kind, which are in the nature of a proposition to bite off one's nose to spite his face. That's what Austrian Count's proposition amounts to. The European nations that acted upon it would be quite as sick of it as this country would, and a little sicker and a good deal quicker.

He does not attribute the unsatisfactory economic conditions in European countries to the right cause. It is not American competition, for that has not yet gone far enough to become a serious factor for Europe at large, although it may eventually become so, and would with enlight enlightened, broad-gauged and progressive statesmanship in this country. If he would look in the direction of the gold monometallism of the European countries he would find the true cause of their industrial depression, and not only of theirs but of the world's at large, for in these days of close connection and rapid transit between nations one cannot be seriously hurt without others feeling it, more or less. He might find an illustration near home by comparing the condition of France, the most prosperous of European nations, which uses more silver than any of them, with the other countries which use less. The English manufacturers are not so stupid that they do not understand at least the main cause of the depression which affects them, and hence many of them have petitioned for a change in the monetary system which is so seriously handicapping them in the markets of the East, where they once had almost unlimited sway.

But suppose that the European nations which the Austrian statesman invites to join in this proposed combine against the United States acceded and the other contingency to which he referred,—that is a pan American league for silver against a pan-European commercial league—took place, how would those European countries fare then shut up within the wall they had built? With all the countries on the Western continents trading on a silver basis with China and Japan and India with them where would the gold nations of Europe be? Where would they find markets for the sale of the work of their hands? We hear a good deal about a "home market" in this country, but a home market for them would be even worse, for there is not one of them that does not produce more of the articles in common use among their people than they can find a home market for. It would probably be a gorge in the things they can produce and a famine in the things they cannot produce. This would be about the situation with them.

If our statesmen would see it, and had the thoroughbred Americanism to declare independence of European dictation in money matters, to adopt an American financial policy, and restore silver to the status it held before 1873, we would soon have the Western hemisphere with us, have the Asiatic world with us, and it would not be many years before we would have the gold nations of Europe humping along after us, to save themselves from ruin. When we cease obeying and following them we will have them obeying and following us. With pan-America against pan Europe, pan-Europe would soon come to taw.

SENATOR BUTLER DENIES AGAIN

Senator Butler devotes several columns of last week's *Caucasian* to denying the truth of the charge made by the Rocky Mount *Argonaut* about what he said in his speech in that town on the 15th of October in reference to outrages committed by negroes. He admits that he said something about Democrats hiring negroes to throw rocks into Democratic meetings and processions, to give them an excuse to cry against outrages and stir up race prejudice, but drew the line between the gold Democrats, the agents of the Shylocks, &c., and other Democrats who don't believe in the Shylock business. He emphatically denies saying that Democrats hired negroes to commit "rape," but it may be incidentally remarked that the *Argonaut* editor didn't say that he did. The *Argonaut* charges that he said that Democrats hired negroes to commit outrages, a term which is now generally applied to assaults, and is so understood by every one. This is *the* crime that attracts attention, excites horror and arouses the spirit of the avenger.

Mr. Butler follows up his own special pleading with nine affidavits, one of which is signed by four persons, one by three and the others by one each, testifying as to the truth of Butler's denial, and that the language used could not properly bear the construction put upon it by the editor of the *Argonaut*, who heard the speech, and published affidavits as to the correctness of his report of the slanderous utterance. It may be noted that, judging from the phraseology, of some of those affidavits and zealous warmth in others, they seem to have been prepared to link with Mr. Butler's disclaimer, but that may not be material as the people who swear to them adopt them as their own. As far as the affidavits go it is affidavit against affidavit. Referring to this denial the *Argonaut* of last week thus reiterates the truth of its charge:

"We learn that Senator Marion Butler has had his private secretary in Rocky Mount during the past week getting affidavits attempting to bolster up his denial of the truth of what we published regarding the now noted speech in that town. At this writing we have not seen these affidavits, but learn that they were published in this week's *Caucasian*. From what we can learn they deny something Senator Butler has never been charged with saying and thus accord with his own statements, for he has continually dodged what we charged him with and denied words we never claimed he uttered.

"Senator Butler says that he did not charge the Democrats with hiring negroes to commit rape on white women. We agree with him there, he did not say any such language in our hearing. What he did say was that they hired them to commit 'outrages.'

"Again, denies that he used the word Democrats, but instead 'agents of shylock and the monopolies.' Now he did use the word Democrats, and we can get a score of men to prove he did say so. But even if he did not we can see no difference for he had called the Democrat leaders 'Agents of Shylock and the monopolies' several times before that in his speech. The course of Senator Butler is entirely too thin to go down with even his most credulous followers. He is simply dodging the issue. He said what we charged him with, and we can double our affidavits twice over with the names of responsible citizens who will swear that Senator Butler made the accusation with which he is charged.

"We will, if advisable, add more unimpeachable testimony to that already given."

MINOR MENTION.

We made reference yesterday to the address delivered by U. S. Secretary of Agriculture Wilson before the Tuskegee, Ala., Agricultural Institute, colored. It was an address that contained much information, including figures of Southern industrial progress, and some excellent suggestions. Among other things he said:

"The United States will have much denser population in the future. Every year will add to the number of our people. Our soil will sustain infinitely more than it does at present. Progress toward greater production is in the rear of other kinds of research. Education in many lines has furnished society with all it demands, but the farm remains the unsolved mystery in all its departments. It invites the best thought of scholars in all directions; all the sciences apply to it. We will sustain more people through greater crops by better methods of production and more universal knowledge of economic conditions. There is immediate demand for better equipped men along these lines. The only society distinctions of universal recognition in our land will be those that separate the strong man of attainments, able and willing to help his fellows, and the weak man without ability or disposition."

Figures have been given by statisticians as to the population of this country a century hence, which seem very large, but will doubtless be reached, for even with the present rate of increase there are middle aged persons living who will see a population of a hundred millions, and there may be those born who will see double that. In coming years the flow of immigration may be less as other countries are opened up, but for many years to come we must continue to relieve Europe of her surplus, and her surplus will continue to grow larger. This doesn't mean that there is going to be much overcrowding in this country, for we have still millions of unoccupied acres and the acres that are occupied are but sparsely so. There isn't a leading State in the Union which couldn't treble its population without uncomfortably crowding them. The State of Texas alone has room enough for the present population of the United States, and then they would not be as much crowded as they are in some European countries. Nor does it mean such a scramble for food as some apprehend, for the productiveness of the soil of this country under thorough methods is practically unbounded, and the growing demand for food for the home supply will lead to the adoption of these methods. The intensive farming of which we now read, and have occasional illustrations, will be the rule instead of extensive farming, and not the exception. The tendency is that way now.

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That whiff of "prosperity" which struck the wheat growing West, resulting from the foreign demand for bread stuffs, hasn't struck other sections with perceptible force. They haven't felt it in the East, where even the bankers complain that they can't find borrowers for their money, and we are dead sure that it hasn't put in an appearance in this region. While the cotton growing section may be suffering most in consequence of the low price of cotton the depression and scarcity of money is not confined to the cotton section. It is general. The Mount Airy *News* thus refers to the situation in that section: "Some of the farmers who were in town this week seem to think money is just a little bit harder to get this year than ever before within their recollection." That portion of North Carolina is a good farming country. The principal "money crop" is tobacco, but it is a good grain-growing and fruit growing country, and there is no local reason why money should be "harder to get this year than ever before." It is not the fault of the people, who are as industrious and thrifty as they ever were, if not more so. It is the result of the paralyzing policies pursued by the party in power, from which every section of the country is suffering.

BOOK NOTICES.

The story reader will find *Tales From Town Topics* for December an intertaining number, filled with interesting tales, and a complete novelette entitled, "The Ashes of Desire." Address Town Topics Publishing Company, 208 Fifth Avenue, New York.

The Christmas number of *Godey's Magazine* is already out, and is a beautiful one. It is handsomely illustrated, and presents a finer list of reading matter, embracing much appropriate to the season. In addition to this is the valuable matter contained in the fashion and domestic departments. Address The Godey Company, 52 Lafayette Place, New York.

We are in receipt of "The Life of Robert Edward Lee, Soldier, Citizen and Christian Patriot," by Mrs. Roger A. Pryor, Dr. Edward Jennings Lee, Col. John J. Garnett, Mrs. Sally Nelson Robins, Gen. T. L. Rosser and others, edited by R. A Brock, Secretary of the Southern Historical Society. It is not only a life of Lee but a history of the Lee family, full of valuable information interestingly presented and copiously and handsomely illustrated. It is a large volume of 583 pages printed in large clear type, on good paper, neatly and substantially bound, and in addition to being a valuable historical production will be a handsome addition to any library. Published by the Royal Publishing Company, Richmond, Va.

CURRENT COMMENT

—— According to the cables, Japan has about spent all of the indemmity she received from China in in various improvements, schools, ect., for the benefit of the people. Had one of the European nations received the indemnity, the probabilities are that it would have been expended for more powder and shot and guns.—*Savannah News, Dem*

—— What possible guarantee of the sincerity of her promises could Spain give Cuba? At the close of each of the previous wars she dishonored herself by breaking every promise made to induce the insurgents to lay down their arms. Spain is as treacherous as she is cruel. She has no honor or other substantial asset to put up as a pledge.—*New York World, Dem,*

—— China's reported cession of a strip of territory to increase the British possessions at Hong Kong seems to have some relation to the seizure of Kioa Chou py the Germans. It looks like a price paid for England's consent to that transaction—or, rather, since China is not a willing agent in the latter business, it looks as if England had been remarkably prompt to follow Germany's example and grab a slice of the unfortunate empire while its partition seem to be in order. The next thing in order would seem to be Russia's formal occupation of Manchuria and extension of her empire to a desirable section of the Pacific Coast.—*Philadelphia Ledger, Ind.*

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Salisbury *Truth*: There were nineteen bills of indictments drawn against the merchants of Salisbury before our late court for selling cigarettes to minors.

— Tarboro *Southerner*: Messrs. A. W. Parker & Co., merchants at Whitakers, made an assignment on Monday for the benefit of creditors. We are not informed as to the assets and liabilities. The low price of cotton and difficulty of making collections is the cause assigned for the failure.

— Rocky Mount *Phœnix*: We regret to announce the sad death of Mrs. Alice Bone, wife of W. D. Bone, Esq., which occurred on Monday morning at 2 o'clock, at the residence of Mr. A. W. Arrington. Mrs. Bone went to the Methodist church Sunday night and while sitting there complained that her eye hurt. Suddenly she fell back, her left side becoming paralyzed.

— Columbus *News*: Mr. Tom Bright had the great misfortune to lose his dwelling house, kitchin and smoke house, and nearly all their contents, by fire Thursday night. His loss was very heavy, as his house was almost new and he had no insurance. He also had about $75 in money, part of it in silver, in his trunk. He could not find any of the silver money nor even the iron hoops on the trunk, which leads to the conclusion that his house was robbed and then burned.

— Raleigh *Post*: A few days since State Treasurer Worth requested an opinion of the Attorney General as to whether or not jobbers and small dealers in guano were liable for the merchants' purchase tax. To the Treasurer's inquiry, Attorney General Walser made the following reply by letter: "In reply to the letter of Jno. H. Croom & Bro., dealers in fertilizers, in regard to their liability for the purchase tax provided for in Section 22 of the Revenue Act of 1897, it is my opinion that they are liable." The Treasurer was of the opinion that small dealers in fertilizers were not liable for the tax. The merchants' purchase tax is one-tenth of one per cent. Last year 3,000,000 pounds of guano were sold in the State.

— Greenville *Weekly*: A week or two ago little Alex Blow, son of Mr. A. L. Blow, was training for the boys' Thanksgiving circus He was practicing turning a summersault, catching on his feet without using his hands. He was getting it down fine when by a mishap he went down on his head. Getting up he found something wrong with his neck. His head was "way back" and he couldn't move it. He lost no time in getting home. His mother called in the doctor and proceeded to pull him into shape, one taking hold of his feet and the other his head. His neck had been dislocated by the fall.

—— Monday morning before day, near Fieldsboro, the barn of Mr. Fenner Fields, containing his corn, some cotton and other produce was burned. The origin of the fire is unknown, but supposed to have been incendiary. Sunday night about 11 o'clock the barn of Mr. Robert Randolph, of Belvoir, was burned. He lost about sixty barrels of corn, some fodder and other produce. Ed. Fields, a negro boy, was suspicioned. He was arrested and given a hearing before Mr. D. Barrow, and sent to jail for January court in default of bail. The evidence was said to have been very strong against him. He is a son of Ben Fields, convicted at Tarboro last week of murder.

TWINKLINGS.

— First Mate—"What was the greatest ocean race you ever heard of?" Captain—"Whales."

— "Does your husband ever speak of the food his mother used to cook?"

"No, never. You see, his father died of acute gastritis."—*Brooklyn Life.*

—"It's pretty hard for some people to distinguish between what they think they know and what they know they think."—*Pack.*

— Played Out: Jack—"Say, old man, your silk hat looks deucedly shabby this morning."

Tom—"Yes I was out all night, and it lost its nap."—*Chicago News.*

— "Why is it, Pat, that so many Irishmen are Democrats?"

"Faith, I don't know, unless it's because so many Democrats are Irish.—*Cleveland Leader.*

—— Returned at Last: "Here," said the Maid of Athens, meeting the poet for the first time on the other shore.

"What?" queried he.

"Take your heart back, as requested in the verse. I have no further use for it."—*North American.*

— Miss Dearborn—"I was always under the impression that you and your sister Mabel were twins."

Miss Ogden—"So we are."

Miss Dearborn—"But you say you are twenty five, and she claims to be but nineteen. How do you account for that?"

Miss Ogden—"You must remember that she has lived in Philadelphia most of her life."

— An Expert Accountant—"Do you not think. Miss South," he pleaded, "that in time you might learn to love me?"

"Possibly," the girl replied. "If you could render me a statement of what you are worth. Mr North, I might learn to love you. I'm very quick at figures."—*Tit Bits*

— Mr. Billion—"You shall never marry my daughter, sir."

Impassioned Suitor—"Your threats do not frighten me. I'll marry her or die. When once I love, sir, no power on earth can—"

Mr. Billion—Oh! I'm not proposing to use force. How much cash will it take to buy you off?"

Impassioned Suitor—'Um—er—how much will you give?"—*Brooklyn Life.*

Consumption Positively Cured.

Mr. R. B. Greeve, merchant, of Chilhowie, Va., certifies that he had consumption, was given up to die, sought all medical treatment that money could procure, tried all cough remedies he could hear of, but got no relief; spent many nights sitting up in a chair; was induced to try Dr. King's New Discovery, and was cured by use of two bottles. For past three years has been attending to business and says Dr. King's New Discovery is the grandest remedy ever made, as it has done so much for him and also for others in his community. Dr. King's New Discovery is guaranteed for Coughs, Colds and Consumption. It don't fail. Trial bottles free at at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

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AN UGLY OLD WOMAN.

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I saw her walking slowly
Adown the street alone,
She tottered, weak and faltering,
With footsteps feeble grown.
Amid the throng that met her
Not one had friendly smile,
While all cast curious glances
Upon her ancient style.

A poor, forgotten relic
Of some dead yesterday,
Whose friends had all departed
From life's uncertain way,
And she was left deserted,
For Pity's humble plea,
Like wreckage which is tossing
Upon the cruel sea.

The many hard lined wrinkles,
That seamed her ugly face,
Of woman's softened beauty
Left not a single trace.
Her sunken eyes, half blinded,
Down at the pavement stared,
As if for those around her
She neither felt nor cared.

The queer, old-fashioned bonnet
Half hid her straggling hair;
The shabby dress showed plainly
The signs of constant wear.
So lonely, old and ugly—
I watched her, and I thought:
With what dear joys, love wakened,
Can life for you be fraught?

You live with mere existence,
The heart within the breast
Can only measure moments
Which cheat the soul of rest,
The Reaper, he has spared you,
And why, I'd like to know?
A sheaf that storms have blasted!
Should by the sickle go.

Why left, when none will miss you,
None mourn or shed a tear;
No tender hands twine roses
To deck the griefless bier?
Poor loiterer on life's journey,
By time unkindly led,
If none cares for you living,
Who'll weep when you are dead?

There came a living answer
Far down the crowded street
A little child was toddling,
With love-lit smile, to meet
The woman old and ugly;
Two chubby arms were pressed
About her, while the kisses
The wrinkled face caressed.

The baby lips were lisping,
Those strangers to deceit:
"Me loves 'ou, darlin', 'cause 'ou
Is bootiful and sweet."
Dear God, 'tis love lends glory
To earth since Eden's fall;
Its touch illumes the halo
That beautifies us all.
—*Atlanta Constitution.*

SUNDAY SELECTIONS.

— If we try to please everybody, we shall soon have the respect of no body.

— God needs Daniels, and Josephs, and Elijahs to-day as much as he ever did.

— God educates us by his word, by the Spirit and by the events of providence. These three never clash.

— When a men is no longer afraid, but is prepared to welcome whatever comes because he sees in it the appointment of a loving Father, why, then, he is in a happy state.

— Plato thought that virtue is likeness to God according to the measures of human power. Christ teaches this likeness is according to the measure of God's power in us.

— Greatness consists not in occupying a more prominent position than one's neighbor. It consists in being just the letter God wants you to be, and just the place God wants you to occupy, that you may bear just the part he intends in the whole revelation of truth and life.—*Lyman Abbott D. D.*

— My affliction prompts me to wish my friends an uninterrupted course of health and peace My better judgment tells me that afflictions to those who fear God are on His part tokens of His love and favor and with respect to themselves necessary means of promoting their growth in faith and grace.—*John Newton.*

— "All men are our brothers; and when we injure them by lies, which cut like a sharp razor, by sneers innuendos, by intrigues, by slander and calummy, by hatred, malice, and all uncharitableness, by want of thought or by want of heart, by the lust of gain by neglect, by absorbing selfishness, we are inheritors of the spirit of the first murderer."

APPOINTMENTS

For Visitation by the Bishop of East Carolina.

December 3, Friday, Communion—S Martin's, Hamilton.
December 5 Sunday second in Advent, M P—S Mary's, Gatesville.
December 5, Sunday 2d in Advent, E P—S Peter's, Gates county.
December 8, Wednesday, E P—S Barnabas, Murfreesboro.
December 9, Thursday, Communion—S Barnabas, Murfreesboro,
December 9, Thursday, E P—S John's, Winton.
December 10, Friday, Communion—S John's, Winton.
December 12, Sunday 3d in Advent, M P—Grace, Woodville.
December 12, Sunday 3d in Advent, E P—S Mark's, Roxobel.
December 16. Thursday. E P—S Thomas, Windsor.
December 17, Friday, Communion—S Thomas, Windsor.
December 19, Sunday 4th in Advent—Holy Innocents, Avoca.
December 25, Saturday, Christmas, M P—Advent, Williamston.
December 26. Sunday after Christmas—Grace, Plymouth.

Holy Communion at all morning services.

The children catechised whenever practicable.

The Vestries will please be prepared to meet the Bishop.

Offerings to be for Diocesan Missions. †

Plenty of Work.

"Wobbles needed exercise so urgently that he bought a bicycle, but he never rides."

"Never rides?"

"No. He never needs any more exercise after he has pumped up his tires."—Boston Traveler.

The four King Georges of England all died on the same day of the week.

The income of Oxford university, England, is slightly under $350,000.

How to Look Good.

Good looks are really more than skin deep, depending entirely on a healthy condition of all the vital organs. If the liver be inactive, you have a bilious look; if your stomach be disordered, you have a dyspeptic look; if your kidneys be affected, you have a pinched look. Secure good health, and you will surely have good looks. "Electric Bitters" is a good Alterative and Tonic. Acts directly on the stomach, liver and kidneys. Purifies the blood, cures pimples, blotches and boils, and gives a good complexion. Every bottle guaranteed. Sold at R. R. BELLAMY'S Drug Store. 50 cents per bottle. †

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BOXING AND SPARRING.

No Other Exercise Calls Into Play So Many of the Muscles.

There is no other exercise that calls into action so many muscles as sparring. The act of ducking to avoid a blow is performed by neck, arm, chest, abdominal, back, thigh, leg and foot muscles. It is asserted by gymnasium directors and in works on anatomy and training that the biceps and the other muscles on the front of the arm take no part in the delivery of a blow in sparring. If this were true, there could be no such thing as an "upper cut" blow, nor would the fighter who gets his opponent's head "in chancery" be able to do any damage to that opponent's face. The mechanism of the "upper cut" is as follows, being generally delivered with the right arm: The limb being flexed (bent at the elbow), with the hips and knees slightly bent, the hips and knees are rapidly straightened, while the body is carried forward by the contraction of the muscles on the front of the thigh and knee joint. At the same time the flexed arm is carried forward and upward. If the opponent has been able to recover partially and move the trunk and head back, he may be so far away that the arm is almost straight when the blow is struck, in which case the triceps, the front fibers of the deltoid and the upper fibers of the pectoralis major furnish the motive power, the triceps straightening the arm and other muscles carrying the upper arm and shoulder forward.

But the opponent may be so close that the blow is delivered while the arm is still bent at the elbow—sometimes almost at a right angle. In this case the triceps take but little part in the blow, which is delivered through the combined action of the front fibers of the deltoid, the upper fibers of the pectoralis major, the biceps, the brachialis anticus, the coraco brachialis and the supinator longus. The biceps is the great flexor (or bender) of the forearm, and is assisted by the brachialis anticus, a broad, flat muscle lying under the biceps and on both sides of it. After having flexed the forearm, these muscles, continuing to act, carry the limb upward. The supinator longus acts first to turn the hand over after it has been turned backward; continuing to act, it flexes the forearm. The trapezius muscles on the upper part of the back and running up to the skull not only help to draw the arm back, but pull the head back to get it out of the way of an advancing blow. When a sparrer throws his guard up to protect the face or neck, the arm movement is performed by various muscles between the wrist joint and the middle of the back and by the upper chest muscles, while at the same time muscles of the trunk, thighs and legs maintain the stability of the body, which take part in the movement.—Chicago Chronicle.

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Wholesale Prices Current.

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☞ The following quotations represent Wholesale Prices generally. In making up small orders higher prices have to be charged.

BAGGING—			
2 lb Jute		@	6¾
Standard		@	7⅛
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ℔ lb	12	@	14
Sides ℔ lb	6	@	7½
Shoulders ℔ lb	6	@	7½
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ℔ lb	5	@	5¼
Shoulders ℔ lb		@	5½
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each	1 00	@	1 10
New New York, each		@	1 30
New City, each		@	1 30
BEESWAX ℔ lb		@	22
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ℔ M	6 00	@	7 00
Northern	9 00	@	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ℔ lb	10	@	16
Northern	18	@	25
CORN MEAL—			
Per Bushel, in sacks	44	@	45
Virginia Meal	41	@	45
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle		@	85
CANDLES—℔ lb—			
Sperm	18	@	25
Adamantine	8	@	10
CHEESE—℔ lb—			
Northern Factory	10	@	11
Dairy, Cream		@	11
State		@	10
COFFEE—℔ lb—			
Laguyra	20	@	
Rio	8	@	10
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard		@	5½
Yarns, ℔ bunch	18	@	20
EGGS—℔ dozen		@	17
FISH—			
Mackerel, No 1, ℔ barrel	22 00	@	30 00
Mackerel, No 1, ℔ half-barrel	11 00	@	15 00
Mackerel, No 2, ℔ barrel	16 00	@	18 00
Mackerel, No 2, ℔ half-barrel	8 00	@	9 00
Mackerel, No 3, ℔ barrel	13 00	@	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 75	@	4 00
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel		@	7 00
N C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00	@	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ lb	5	@	10
" Extra	3 35	@	3 50
FLOUR—℔ barrel—			
Low grade		@	3 75
Choice		@	4 75
Straight		@	5 00
First Patent	5 25	@	5 50
GLUE—℔ lb—	7½	@	8½
GRAIN—lb bushel—			
Corn, from store, bags—White		@	45
Car load, in bags—White		@	44
Oats, from store		@	32½
Oats, Rust Proof		@	40
Cow Peas		@	55
HIDES, ℔ lb—			
Green		@	6
Dry		@	8
HAY, ℔ 100 lbs—			
Clover Hay	80	@	85
Rice Straw		@	50
Eastern		@	90
Western		@	85
North River		@	75
HOOP IRON, ℔ lb	1½	@	2
LARD, ℔ lb—			
Northern	5½	@	6
North Carolina	6	@	10
LIME ℔ barrel	1 15	@	1 25
LUMBER(city sawed), ℔ M feet—			
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00	@	20 00
Rough-edge Plank	15 00	@	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00	@	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00	@	22 00
Scantling and Board, common	14 00	@	15 00
MOLASSES, ℔ gallon—			
Barbados, in hhds		@	26
" " " in bbls		@	28
Porto Rico, in hhds		@	26
" " in bbls		@	28
Sugar-House, in hhds	12	@	14
" " in bbls	14	@	15
Syrup, in bbls	12	@	15
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis		@	1 50
PORK, ℔ barrel—			
City Mess		@	9 50
Rump		@	9 25
Prime		@	9 25
ROPE, ℔ lb	10	@	22
SALT, ℔ sack Alum		@	1 10
Liverpool		@	80
Lisbon		@	
American	40	@	60
On 125 lb Sacks		@	40
SHINGLES, 7-inch, ℔ M	5 00	@	6 50
Common	1 60	@	2 25
Cypress Saps	2 50	@	3 50
SUGAR, ℔ lb—Standard Granu'd		@	5¼
Standard A		@	5⅛
White Ex. C		@	4⅞
Extra C, Golden		@	4¾
C. Yellow		@	3⅞
SOAP, ℔ lb—Northern	3½	@	4
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	8 00	@	14 00
R. O. Hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping		@	9 00
Mill, Prime		@	7 00
Mill, Fair	6 50	@	4 50
Common Mill	4 00	@	3 50
Inferior to Ordinary		@	3 00
SHINGLES, N. C. Cypress sawed			
℔ M 6x24 heart	7 50	@	8 50
" Sap	5 00	@	6 00
5x24 Heart	4 50	@	5 00
" Sap	4 00	@	4 50
6x30 Heart	6 00	@	6 50
" Sap	5 00	@	50
TALLOW, ℔ lb		@	6
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon—Northern	1 00	@	2 00
North Carolina	1 00	@	2 00
WOOL ℔ lb—Unwashed	8	@	15

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, December 4.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market firm at 30 cents per gallon for machine-made casks, and 29½ cents for country casks.

ROSIN—Market dull at $1 15 per bbl for Strained and $1 20 for Good Strained.

TAR.—Market firm at $1.05 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market quiet. $1.40 per barrel for Hard, $1.90 for Dip and 1 90 for Virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine firm, 24½, 24c; rosin firm, $1 45, 1 50; tar steady, $1 10; crude turpentine quiet, $1 40, 1 90, 1 80.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	86
Rosin	321
Tar	80
Crude Turpentine	107

Receipts same day last year—74 casks spirits turpentine, 322 bbls rosin, 87 bbls tar, 9 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market steady on a basis of 5⅜c for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	3 15-16	cts ℔ lb
Good Ordinary	4¼	" "
Low Middling	4 15-16	" "
Middling	5⅜	" "
Good Middling	5⅝	" "

Same day last year, middling 7c.

Receipts—3,838 bales; same day last year, 581.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina—Prime 40@45c per bushel of 28 pounds; Extra Prime, 50c; Fancy, 55c. Virginia—Extra Prime, 45c; Fancy, 50c.

CORN—Firm; 47½@50 cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—$1.00@1.05 per bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; Hams, 8 to 9c per pound; Shoulders, 6 to 7c; Sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five inch, hearts and saps, $1.60 to 2.25; six inch, $2.25 to 3.25; seven inch; $5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $3.00 to 8.50 per M.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4—Evening.—Money on call was nominal at 1½@2 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3@4 per cent. Sterling exchange was easy, with actual business in bankers' bills at 485¾ for demand and 483 for sixty days. Posted rates 484@487. Commercial bills 482¼. Silver certificates—not quoted. Bar silver 59⅝. Mexican dollars 46⅞. Government bonds—new fours, registered, 128¾; new fours, coupon, 128¾; fours, registered, 112¼; fours, coupon, 114; twos, registered, 99; fives, registered, 114¼; fives, coupon, 114¼. State bonds quiet; North Carolina sixes 122, North Carolina fours 105

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec 4—Rosin steady; strained common to good $1 40@1 45. Spirits turpentine firm at 32¾@33¼c

CHARLESTON, Dec 4—Spirits turpentine was firmer at 30c; sales — casks. Rosin firm; sales — barrels; quotations unchanged.

SAVANNAH, Dec 4.—Spirits turpentine 30⅜c; sales 1 038 casks; receipts 1 880 casks. Rosin firm; sales 880 barrels; receipts 3 330 barrels: A, B C, D $1 15, E, F $1 20 G $1 30 H $1 40 I $1 50, K $1 65, M $1 85, N $2 20, W G $2 50, W W $2 80

COTTON MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 14—The cotton market opened steady at a decline of five points in sympathy with less favorable cables than looked for, but soon developed a firmer undertone, on fairly active local covering. At 11 o'clock the market was quiet and very steady at a net gain of 2 to 3 points. Sales to that hour were 40 000 bales. New Orleans and foreign representatives sold early in the session but later turned buyers. Liquidation subsequently set in and with renewed selling for foreign account prices dropped to the lowest point of the session with the market finally barely steady with prices net unchanged to 3 points lower. Total sales 72 800 bales. Port receipts estimated for the day at 53,000 bales, against 68 949 last week and 57.884 last year. Port receipts estimated for the week at 595,000, against 402 850 last week, and 387 951 last year. At Memphis 3,702 against 3,188 last year, and at Houston 13 339, against 7 213 last year.

NEW YORK. Dec. 4.—Evening.—Cotton quiet; middling 5⅝c.

Cotton futures opened steady and closed barely steady, with sales of 72 800 bales; January 5 71, February 5 76, March 5 80 April 5 85. May 5 90 June 5 95 July 5 99 August 6 03, September 6 05, October 6 05, November —, December 5 68.

Spot cotton closed quiet; middling uplands 5⅝c; middling gulf 6⅛c; sales 20 bales.

Cotton—net receipts —— bales; gross receipts 1,160 bales; sales to spinners 20 bales; stock (actual) 99,148 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 66,325 bales; exports to Great Britain 44,800 bales; to France —— bales; to the Continent 6 801 bales; stock 1,045,535 bales.

Total since September 1—Net receipts 4.154 860 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,384,955 bales; exports to France 376 124 bales; exports to the Continent 1,001,692 bales.

Dec. 4.—Galveston, steady at 5 7 16c, net receipts 13 213 bales; Norfolk, steady at 5¼, net receipts 4,563 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 5⅝, net receipts — bales Boston, quiet at 5 13 16, net receipts 1,958 bales; Wilmington, firm at 5⅜, net receipts 3 383 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 6⅛, net receipts 511 bales; Savannah, steady at 5 3 16, net receipts 7 088 bales; New Orleans, firm at 5¼, net receipts 18 581 bales; Mobile, quiet at 5⅜, net receipts 3 979 bales; Memphis, steady at 5¼ net receipts 3,702 bales; Augusta, firm at 5 7 16 net receipts 1 470 bales; Charleston, steady at 5 3 16, net receipts 2,634 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4—Evening—Flour dull and easy; city mill patents $5 75@6 00; do. clears $5 40@5 60. Minnesota patents $5 00@5 25; do. bakers $4 20@4 45; winter patents $4 85@5 10, winter straights $4 50@4 60; winter extras $3 40@4 00; winter low grades $2 90@3 10. Wheat—spot weak; No. 2 red 97¼c f.o. b. afloat; options opened weak under disappointing cables and closed dull and ¼@⅜ net lower; No 2 red January closed 96c; May closed 92¼c; December closed 96c. Corn—spot easy; No. 2 33⅝c f. o. b afloat; options opened easy with wheat and cables, but rallied on covering and closed unchanged; May closed 33⅝c; December closed 30⅛c. Oats—spot were stronger; No. 2 26⅛c; options were dull and about steady, closing practically unchanged; May closed 27⅛c; December closed 26c. Lard—market steady; Western steam $4 50; December $4 45 nominal; refined steady; Continent $4 70 South American $5 15; compound 4@4⅛c. Pork dull; mess $8 25@9 00, short clear $10 00@12 00; family $10 50@11 00. Butter steady, with prices as follows: Western creamery 14@23½c; do. factory 11½@14½ Elgins 23½; imitation creamery 12½@17c; State dairy 13@20c; do. creamery 14@22½c. Cheese was dull; State, large white September 8½c; light skims 6@6½c; part skims 4½@6c, full skims 3@4c. Petroleum dull; United closed with no market; New York $5 40; Philadelphia and Baltimore $5 35, do. in bulk $2 85 Cotton seed oil inactive but steady; prime crude 18@18½; prime crude f. o. b. mills 13½@14½c; prime summer yellow 21½@22c; off summer yellow 23@22½c; butter oil 24½@27c; prime winter yellow 26½@27c. Rice steady; domestic fair to extra 4½@6½c; Japan 5@5½c. Molasses quiet; New Orleans, open kettle, good to choice 25@31c. Long Island and Jersey cabbage, per 100 $3 00@4 00. Coffee—spot Rio quiet; No. 7 invoice 6⅜c; No 7 jobbing 6⅝c; mild dull; Cordova 8½@14c. Sugar—raw firm; fair refining 3⅜c; centrifugal 96 test 3⅞c; refined firm; mould A 5⅛c; standard A 4⅞c; confectioners' A 4⅞c; cut-loaf and crushed 5⅝c; powdered 5 3 16c; granulated 5c; cubes 5⅛c.

CHICAGO December 4—A decline of ⅞c. with which wheat opened to-day was pared down by the action of shorts to a net decline of ⅜: at the close, Weak cables were responsible for the early decline, but the clearances, the largest of the season, made a fairly firm market toward the close. Corn and oats were firm and advanced ⅛@¼ to ⅜c respectively. Provisions 5@10c on a good shipping demand.

CHICAGO, Dec. 4.—Cash quotations: Flour firm quiet. winter patents $4 70@4 90, straights $3 20@3 40; spring specials $5 35, spring patents $4 40@4 90, spring straights $4 30@4 50; bakers' $3 50@3 80. No. 2 yellow corn 25½@25¾. Wheat—No. 2 spring 89@90c. No. 3 spring 83½@92c; No. 2 red 95@95½c. Corn—No. 2, 25½c. Oats—No 2 21½c; No. 2 white—c; No. 3 white f. o. b. 23@23⅝c. Rye—No. 2. 46½c. Mess pork, per barrel $7 30@7 35. Lard, per 100 lbs $4 25@4 27½. Short rib sides, loose. $4 15@4 50. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, $4 75@5 00. Short clear sides, boxed, $4 40@4 50. Whiskey, distillers' finished goods, per gallon, $1 19.

The leading futures ranged as follows: opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—December 94½@94¾ 95½ 94¼, 95c; January 89¾, 89¾ 89, 89⅜c; May 89½, 89¾, 89 89⅜c. Corn—December 25⅝, 25¼, 24⅝, 25c; May 28½@28¼, 28⅝, 28½c. Oats—December 20⅞ 20¾, 20⅝, 20⅝c; May 21⅝ 22⅛ 21⅝ 22⅛c. Mess pork, per bbl—December $7 35, January $8 17½ 8 30, 8 15 8 24½; May $8 40 8 52½, 8 40 8 40 8 52½. Lard, per 100 lbs—December $4 15 —, — 4 15; January $4 22½ 4 27½, 4 22½, 4 27½; May $4 40, 4 45 4 40 4 45. Short ribs per 100 lbs—December $4 20, 4 20, 4 17½, 4 22½; January $4 17½ 4 22½, 4 17½, 4 22½; May $4 30, 4 35 4 30 4 35.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 4.—Flour dull and unchanged. Wheat strong; spot 96⅜@ month 96½c; January 96½@96⅝c; May 92½c bid; steamer No 2 red 91½@91¾c; Southern wheat by sample 91@97c; do on grade 92@97c. Corn firm; spot 32⅝@33⅛c; month 32½c. December, new or old, 31⅝@31⅞c; January 31½@31⅝c: steamer mixed 30⅝@30¾c. Southern white and yellow corn 32@35c. Oats firm No. 2 white 29½@30c; No. 2 mixed 27@27½c.

FOREIGN MARKETS

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 4.—1 P. M.—Cotton—Spot in moderate demand and prices hardening. American middling 3¼d. Sales of the day were 7,000 bales, of which 500 were for speculation and export, and included 6,400 American. Receipts 33 000 bales, of which 32 900 were American. Futures opened steady and closed barely steady. American middling (l m c): December 3 12 64d seller; December and January 3 11 64d buyer; January and February 3 11 64d buyer; February and March 3 11 64d buyer; March and April 3 11-64@3 12-64d seller; April and May 3 12-64@3 13-64d buyer; May and June 3 14 64d buyer; June and July 3 15 64d seller; July and August 3 16 64d buyer; August and September 3 17-64d seller; September and October 3 17 64@3 18 64d buyer; October and November 3 18 64@3 19-64d buyer.

MARINE.

CLEARED.

Br steamship Ormsby, 1828 tons, Robinson, Bremen, Alex Sprunt & Son.

Br steamship Corinthia, 838 tons, Roberts, Ghent, Alex Sprunt & Son.

EXPORTS.

FOREIGN.

BREMEN—Br steamship Ormsby—9,335 bales, 4 579 931 pounds cotton, valued at $374 798, vessel and cargo by Alex Sprunt & Son.

GHENT—Br steamship Corinthia—3,814 bales, 1 873 041 pounds cotton, valued at $112 342, vessel and cargo by Alex Sprunt & Son.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 3, 1897.

SCHOONERS.

St Thomas, 654 tons, Hammett, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.
Wm H Shubert, 502 tons, Cook, Geo Harriss, Son & Co [At Caswell]
Geo Taulene, 68 tons, Bloodgood, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.
Samuel W Hall 306 tons, Mumford, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.
James Rothwell, 473 tons, Fisher, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

BARQUES.

Daphne, 565 tons, Madsen, Paterson, Downing & Co.
Vineta (Nor), 629 tons, Pedersen, E Peschau & Co.

BRIGS.

Gabrielle, 482 tons Munday, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

STEAMSHIPS.

Kelvingrove (Br), 1,714 tons, Ryder, Heide & Co.
Trunkby, 1668 tons, McGarthy, Alex Sprunt & Son.
Vera (Br), 2,854 tons, Nicholson, J H Sloan.
Oceanic (Br), 1,863 tons, Marshal, Heide & Co.

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March 8, 1897. Samuel Pitcher, M.D.

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Color Combinations.

Not only in demidress toilets, gowns of ceremony, and also in elaborate street costumes, but likewise among ball dresses this winter, are noted surprising color combinations. Blue, green, pale petunia and yellow were recently seen in conjunction on an imported ball gown, trimmed with brown fur and lace. Another gown was of green and gold brocade, shot with pale rose color, with sleeve puffs, medici collar and girdle of mauve velvet. The bodice draperies were of pale ecru chiffon, silk embroidered in tiny heliotrope and mignonette blossoms, framed with an elaborate passementerie of jewel beads.

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Immense Webs Woven by Yellow Spiders. A Mysterious Disappearance Explained. A Fruitlike Crab—Tricks of Nature Protect the Defenseless.

Once, in attempting to force my way through the thick bay cedar underbrush of one of the smaller and outer keys of the Florida reef I suddenly broke into an opening which had the appearance of a narrow street or trail. The brush was six or eight feet in height and remarkably thick, and the heat was intolerable. The branches and leaves which were interlaced formed a perfect network and gave shelter to innumerable crabs, which had taken possession of old birds' nests, while under foot the eggs and newly hatched terns almost covered the ground.

Once in the opening or street it was found to be about seven feet across, winding away out of sight, but my way was blocked by several curious obstacles—a succession of webs stretched vertically across the pathway at intervals of five or six feet. They were of extraordinary strength and were thrown out and poised in a marvelous manner. In the center of each of these silken barriers clung a huge yellow spider, so ugly and conspicuous that I stopped before the first doubting the evidence of my eyes, and as I looked the first yellow spider of the series disappeared. There was no doubt about it. At first so striking and gaudy, it slowly faded away, and through the web I could see other yellow spiders beyond, suggesting that it was no illusion.

While I stood wondering in the hot sun the spider solved the mystery by appearing again, first dimly, then like many spiders quivering in the strong light, finally resolving itself into one huge yellow fellow that moved like a pendulum to and fro and then stopped. I touched it gently with a switch I held, whereupon it deliberately began to swing its huge body, imparting to the entire web a vibratory motion which increased in rapidity until the body of the spider began to grow fainter, and in a few moments became invisible. It was all very simple when understood. The spider when alarmed began to swing, gradually increasing the motion until it disappeared or could not be followed by the eye. Thinking the case might be exceptional, I again touched the spider, and again it literally swung itself out of sight.

Crawling beneath the web, I confronted the next spider, which also was yellow or saffron in color, with black, velvetlike markings, hanging in the sun like a great topaz, its web dotted with the remains of many feasts—empty skeletons of insects, bits of pearly fish scales, perhaps dropped by some passing bird, a delicate feather and a motley array of flies and other insect folk. At first the spider paid me scant attention, then I saw a slight convulsive movement of its legs as it imparted the first long swing to its hammocklike web that put this wonderful life saving device, for this it was, in motion. It was the spider's defense and protection from enemies.

Certain birds undoubtedly preyed upon the spiders, and this faculty of mysteriously disappearing had on more than one occasion served it well. I could easily imagine the astonishment of the bird when darting down to seize the plump and showy spider to find that it had slipped away.

There was much in this street of yellow spiders to distract the mind from the intense heat that poured down from the almost vertical sun. In the middle of the path, beyond a turn, grew a clump of cactus, with here and there a ripe fruit rich in the purple of full maturity—a brilliant contrast to the green leaves. As I stood watching the hermit crabs dropping from the bushes and scurrying away over the sand I thought I saw a ripe fruit of the cactus move; then, to my amazement, it passed directly out of sight, not after the fashion of the spiders, but by slipping around one of the big leaves. I almost expected to see the others follow it, but nothing of the kind occurred. I walked along and placed myself in a position to see behind the broad, flat, pear shaped leaf. There was the purple object, now moving cautiously around with the evident intention of keeping itself out of sight, and then I saw that it was a crab, a crab with a purple back the exact tint of the fruit, while its general shape, when the legs were tucked up beneath the body, made the crab a mimic of the cactus fruit, a protective resemblance so perfect that the crab was safe from sharp eyed enemies, and I should have passed it by had it remained quiet, but the phenomenon of moving fruit attracted my attention and led to its discovery.

For some distance I followed this street of spiders, creeping beneath the webs when I could, and everywhere these tricks of nature to protect the defenseless were apparent. The eggs of the gulls simulated the sand in color; the little mantis, which clung to the big cedar, was the exact tint of the leaves and defied detection until accidentally brushed off. Over all life in the secluded spot nature had thrown her protecting mantle of mimicry.—New York Post.

Have You Seen a Broken Heart?

"Gentlemen of the jury," said the attorney for the man who had been sued for a breach of promise, "my learned brother who represents the fair plaintiff in the case is trying to work upon your sympathies, and to do it he has gone upon your facts. He has talked at length about his client's broken heart, in spite of the fact that no evidence has been introduced to show that her heart is broken or ever has been broken."

Sensation on the other side.

"Gentlemen," continued the lawyer impressively, after a pause, "I don't believe her heart is broken, and although on such short notice I am unable to produce any evidence of its exact condition, I think I can convince you that I am right. Do you suppose that my learned brother would have let a matter that would affect so seriously the case stand upon a mere statement if the heart was really broken? You know that he would not. That might have been permissible before the days of the X rays, but it is not now. If her heart be broken, why does he not produce a photograph of it and prove his statement? Gentlemen, he dare not! He knows that the cathode rays would show a healthy and sound heart."

And the jury gave a verdict for the young man without leaving their seats.—Pearson's Weekly.

Two Great Horses.

Flying Childers, who died in 1741, at the age of 26 years, and Eclipse, who died in 1789, at the age of 25 years, were two of the most remarkable horses on the English turf. The latter was never beaten. He was remarkable for his strength and endurance, and at the post mortem examination of his body it was discovered that his heart was of most extraordinary size, weighing 14 pounds.

The man who tries to turn out to the left always goes home with an impression that the streets are filled by crowds of boorish persons.—Milwaukee Journal.

I have always thought that what was good was only what was beautiful put in action.—Rousseau.

UP IN THE BIG DOME.

THE FAVORITE AMUSEMENT OF LOVERS IN WASHINGTON.

But the Walls Have Ears, and Occasionally They Seem to Have Mouths—A Climb That Is Beset by Difficulties—The Policemen and Why They Are There.

There is no elevator in the dome of the capitol, the outside and inside are devoid of stairs, and visitors are puzzled to know how the people get to the top of the dome. In the little dark circular passage north of the rotunda, between the rotunda and the supreme court room, are two little swinging doors covered with green baize, looking very rusty, dirty and old; small doors which nobody would notice unless they were pointed out by a guide or some one familiar with the capitol building. Whoever opens these doors, however, looks upon a narrow stone landing from which there leads a circular, well worn stone staircase, with iron railing, upward into the darkness. Even when started up here by one of the capitol guides, the visitor is generally puzzled very much to know which way to go. After climbing three or four steep stairways one comes to a door which is barred, and so much of the climb has been for nothing. Retracing one's steps half way down, a swinging door is reached, which yields readily to the touch, and the visitor steps out into the open air. Above and all around him is iron framework, while, after passing along a narrow portico, more winding iron stairs are reached. By twists and turns this leads up through the rough iron braces among the rafters and then into the dome itself. It has been estimated that 500 people climb the dome every day throughout the year.

On some days there are not less than 500 and occasionally there are a thousand people going up by twos and threes and sometimes in larger groups. Neither the hot weather of summer nor the chilling winds of winter can prevent the tourists, male or female, from winding their laborious way up the narrow staircase, which leads by these spiral twists through dark passages, a mysterious way into that mysterious eggshell. The people who have heart disease, wooden legs, apoplexy or who weigh over 400 pounds, especially fat femininity of the chaperon order, are the only tourists who do not climb the dome. They come from every state in the Union, from almost all conditions of life, from all nations, and their talking and laughing make strange sounds, some of them very startling indeed to any quiet, thoughtful person who ascends the stairway for the first time.

The only people who climb the dome and do not get tired and complain of it for months afterward are the young lovers or bridal couples. They take their time, too, in summer and stop on every landing to whisper those things which nobody can hear and yet which everybody knows by heart. When these dearly beloved brothers and sisters have reached the tiptop and stand right close to the great painting 60 feet in diameter and lean over the railing, looking down at the pygmies tramping about on the floor of the rotunda below, they are occasionally startled by soft voices of spirits in the air. Sometimes in their most tender moments they are astonished to be addressed by name in the most familiar way by a voice from one of the allegorical pictures painted on the canopy above them. The fact of the matter is this great circular painting is one of the finest sound conductors in America and makes an absolutely perfect whispering gallery. A man sitting on the opposite side of the gallery can listen to the young couples talking, billing and cooing and mentioning people at home until he can become sufficiently familiar with them and their surroundings to almost scare them out of their boots by some whispered remark. Whatever is said on one side of the painting is carried right across and sounds like a whisper in the ear of the person to whom it is addressed.

On one occasion there was a young couple here from Fostoria, O., who remained on one of the seats in the airy gallery for an hour or more until the old man who sells pictures up there learned their entire family history. Finally he remarked: "Hello, Mr. Blank, how do you do? Come up here on top of this picture and see me. We keep lunch up here for all Ohio folks, especially for lovers from Fostoria." The young man was frightened almost to death, but his girl actually fainted in his arms. The surprise was so complete and overwhelming that the old man did not dare to tell them anything about it nor explain to them the whisper gallery as he used to do with visitors after he had played with them.

In addition to the regular policemen who patrol the main floor of the capitol building and who take note of the fact every time any person or couples or groups of people go up to the dome and when they come down, there are three policemen placed at intervals along the stairway which leads to the dome to protect visitors and see that nothing improper occurs. These policemen have probably made no arrests in the last 20 years, because their presence prevents wrongdoing. Before the stairway leading to the dome was properly guarded by the policemen, however, a great many purses and watches were snatched and stolen from visitors. The principal duty of the policemen at present is to prevent visitors from defacing the dome by writing their names upon it or chipping off pieces to carry away with them. The roof, you know, is uncovered, and men used to sneak up and steal strips of it, so that it was really difficult to keep the dome under cover. The policemen have nothing to do but sit still and watch the people and study the various phases of humanity. One of them is quite an elderly man, who has been on the landing in the dome so long that he has become a celebrated philosopher. He can tell many odd stories about odd people and peculiar characters who have passed in there, and the many foolish questions they ask, as well as the self importance of some of them.—Washington Cor. St. Paul Globe.

The Fool and His Money.

There is another old saying that "the gods give us everything for toil." Those who are outside of the class of fools ought to ponder this saying. There is no royal road to anything. We get everything by toil. We get it in no other way. The notion that you can drop $100 in a slot and draw out $25 a week profits is so utterly preposterous, so wildly absurd, that it is difficult to think of any man in his right senses being deceived by it. But many are deceived by it. To all to whom this warning may come, we say, "Don't." There is no operation of anything in civilization that can yield such profits. The suggesion that somebody has mysterious information by which he knows of deals and combinations that are making, and so shrewdly buys ahead and then turns around and buys back, and thus catches the market coming and going, is quite of a piece with the fantastic notion that profits of 25 per cent a week, or 5 per cent a week, or 300 per cent a year, or 30 per cent a year, can be paid on investment.—Indianapolis News.

The Same.

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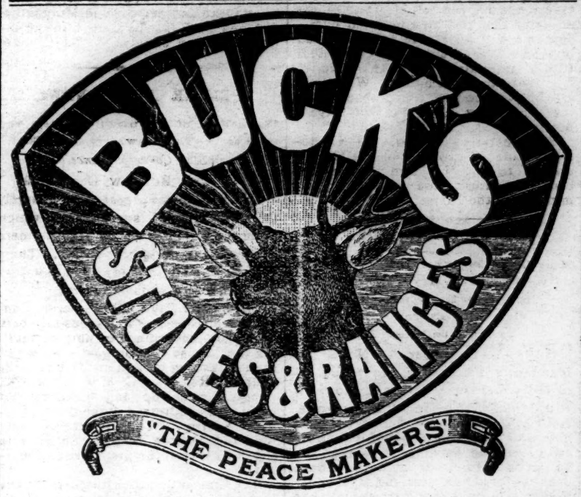

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DAILY 7.15 P M — No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.55 p m, Warsaw 9.10 p m, Goldsboro 10.10 p m, Wilson 11.06 p m, †Tarboro 0.4 a m, Rocky Mount 11.57 p m, Weldon 47 a m, †Norfolk 10.30 a m, Petersburg 5.56 a m, Richmond 4.10 a m, Washington 7.41 a m, Baltimore 9.05 a m, Philadelphia 11.35 a m, New York 3.00 p m, Boston 9.00 p m.

DAILY except Sunday 2 00 p m — No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 3 55 p m, Newbern 5 20 p m.

SOUTHBOUND:

DAILY 4.00 P M — No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 5.09 p m, Chadbourn 5.40 p m, Marion 6.40 p m, Florence 7.10 p m, Sumter 8.30 p m, Columbia 10.10 p m, Denmark 6.30 a m, Augusta 8.20 a m, Macon 11.30 a m, Atlanta 12.15 p m, Charleston 10.55 p m, Savannah 1 58 a m, Jacksonville 8.20 a m, St. Augustine 10.30 a m, Tampa 6.45 p m.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 5.50 P M — No. 49—Passenger—Leave †Boston 1.03 p m, *New York 9.00 p m, Philadelphia 12.05 a m, Baltimore 3.50 a m, Washington 4.30 a m, Richmond 9.05 a m, Petersburg 10.01 a m, Norfolk 8.40 a m, Weldon 11.58 a m, Tarboro 12.12 p m, Rocky Mount 12 47 p m, Wilson 3 37 p m, Goldsboro 3.52 p m, Warsaw 4.1 p m, Magnolia 4 34 p m.

DAILY 9.30 A M — No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.30 a m, Philadelphia 12.09 p m, Baltimore 2.35 p m, Washington 3.45 p m, Richmond 7.30 p m, Petersburg 8.12 p m, †Norfolk 2.20 p m, Weldon 9.43 p m, †Tarboro 6.01 p m, Rocky Mount 5.45 a m, leave Wilson 6.32 a m, Goldsboro 7.01 a m, Warsaw 7.53 a m, Magnolia 8.05 a m.

DAILY except Sunday 12 40 p m — No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9 30 a m, Jacksonville 10 42 a m.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 1.25 p m — No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.00 a m, Sanford 1.50 p m, Jacksonville 8 10 p m Savannah 1 48 a m, Charleston 6.35 a m, Columbia 7 00 a m, Atlanta 8.20 a m, Macon 9.30 a m, Augusta 3.05 p m, Denmark 4.50 p m, Sumter 8.35 a m, Florence 10.05 a m, Marion 10.41 a m, Chadbourn 11 45 a m, Lake Waccamaw 12.16 p m.

†Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3 55 p m, Halifax 4 30 p m, arrive Scotland Neck 5.20 p m, Greenville 6.57 p m, Kinston 7 55 p m. Returning, leaves Kinston 7 55 a m, Greenville 8.52 a m, Arriving Halifax at 11 18a m, Weldon 11 33 a m, daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.30 a m and 2 30 p m, arrive Parmele 9.10 a m and 4 00 p m; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 a m and 6 30 p m, arrives Washington 11 00 a m and 7.30 p. m. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 p m, Sunday, 4 05 p m, arrives Plymouth 7.40 p m and 6 p m, returning leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7 50 a m, and Sunday 9 a m. Arrive Tarboro 10.05 a m and 11 a m.

Train on Midland N C Branch leaves Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7 10 a m; arrive Smithfield N. C., 8.30 a m. Returning, leaves Smithfield 9 00 a m, arrive Goldsboro, N. C., 10 25 a m.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 4.30 p m, arrives Nashville 5.05 p m, Spring Hope 5.20 p m. Returning leaves Spring Hope 8 a m, Nashville 8 35 a m; arrive Rocky Mount 9 05 a m, daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton Daily except Sunday at 11.40 a m and 4.15 p m; returning leave Clinton at 7.00 a m. and 3.00 p m.

Florence Railroad leave Pee Dee 10.00 a m, arrive Latta 10.18 a m, Dillon 10 50 a m, Rowland 11 05 a m., returning leaves Rowland 6 10 p m, arrives Dillon 6.39 p m, Latta 6.48 p m, Pee Dee 7.15 p m, daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Hub at 8.30 a m, Chadbourn 11.00 a m, arrive Conway 2.10 p m, leave Conway 2 45 p m, Chadbourn 5.45 p m, arrive Hub 6.25 p m, Daily except Sunday.

Central of South Carolina Railroad leave Sumter 6 01 p m,

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WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUNDAY MORNING, DEC. 5, 1897

MRS. M'KINLEY STILL ALIVE.

The President Took Leave of His Dying Mother and Left for Washington Yesterday Afternoon.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CANTON, OHIO, December 4.—Sadder scenes were never witnessed than the leave taking of President McKinley from his dying mother this afternoon. The carriage was early announced to convey him to the special car at the Pennsylvania depot, awaiting the arrival of the regular east-bound train. But to the very last possible moment the President remained at the old homestead.

Before leaving the house, he and other members of the family went to the bedside of the dying mother. He looked at her long, spoke to her lovingly and stooped and tenderly kissed her. There was no response, no movement to indicate that she recognized her son. He remained in a stooping posture for some time, hoping that he might receive some sign that she knew or felt his presence. It did not come. With feeling of deepest emotion he at last left the room.

It was a strange coincidence that almost immediately following the departure of the President the mother should suffer a relapse. Within half an hour after he left the city the illness of the mother took a turn for the worse. The attending physician declared it was a relapse which for a time threatened to extinguish the faintly flickering flame of life. Once more, however, the rugged constitution of the aged woman withstood the assault. She rallied slightly and ere long was back to the condition in which she had been for nearly twenty hours, a condition of quiet and seemingly restful sleep, but which, it was fully realized, was slowly burning out the vital spark of life. In that condition she was to-night. How long it might continue no one could tell.

The President left Canton at 2 05 o'clock this afternoon, Judge Day, Assistant Secretary of State, accompanying him in a special car.

Shortly before the departure he held a conference with the doctor, who advised that Mr. McKinley carry out the original plan of leaving for Washington. He assured the President that no act of a loving son or any other mortal could do anything for the aged mother, and that she would never again be able to recognize him or to realize his presence or absence. His last words to the family were that he be telegraphed at every station along the route as to the mother's condition.

The President has definitely arranged to return to Canton Tuesday morning, leaving Washington Monday, as soon as he has completed his duties in connection with the opening of Congress. Mrs. McKinley will accompany him, as will also Mrs. Abner McKinley and her daughter, Miss Mabel, of New York.

THE PRESIDENT'S CABINET.

Governor Griggs, of New Jersey, to Succeed Attorney General McKenna Early in January.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 4.—From the best obtainable information it appears that no change is to be made in the composition of the cabinet during the remainder of the current year. There are two good reasons for this. Attorney General McKenna has charged himself with the prosecution of the Pacific railroad cases, and it is not to be supposed that he will relinquish his present office until the Kansas Pacific sale has passed into history.

It is generally understood that Governor Griggs, of New Jersey, has been offered the place in the cabinet to be vacated by Attorney General McKenna, but it will not be possible for him to take the office before the beginning of next year. The New Jersey constitution fails to make provision for a lieutenant governor and the successor to the governorship would be the president of the State Senate, who is limited in the assumption of the office to the time when the Legislature is in actual session, which will not occur until January first. Should Governor Griggs relinquish his place now, there consequently could be no head to the State government during the period of time between now and January 1st, and the Governor is unwilling to leave matters in such condition.

STEAMER DAUNTLESS.

Spain Will Claim Damages from the United States for the Recent Filibustering Expedition.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MADRID, December 4.—The Spanish Government, it is semi-officially announced, has received details of the landing of an expedition in Cuba from the American steamer Dauntless, and it is understood the Spanish minister at Washington, Senor Dupuy de Lome, will shortly present in this connection a claim for damages from the United States.

WASHINGTON, December 4.—Dispatches printed to-day chronicle the fact that Commander Pillsbury, of the United States steamship Vesuvius, which has been doing patrol duty off the coast of Florida recently, with the view of preventing the departure of fillibustering expeditions, has written a letter to the Navy Department detailing the movements of the Dauntless since November 11th, showing her to have been repeatedly searched and apparently proving that the steamer has not been engaged within the time indicated in landing fillibustering expeditions on the coast of Cuba.

ELECTRIC CARS COLLIDE.

Three Men Killed and a Score of Persons Injured, Ten of Them Seriously.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

DETROIT, MICH., December 4.—Two suburban cars carrying about twenty passengers and both running at a speed of about twenty five miles an hour, collided on the Detroit and Oakland Electric Railroad this afternoon. Three men were instantly killed and a score of persons injured, ten of them seriously.

The exact cause of the accident is as yet in doubt.

Had it not been for the stout construction of the cars, both of which were new, it is doubtful whether any of their occupants would have escaped alive. As it was, nearly all of the fourteen passengers in the south-bound car suffered some injury. Some of the injured were taken to farm houses, others brought to city hospitals.

The company officials are investigating as to the responsibility for the disaster, and a coroner's jury has already been empanelled. The Detroit, Birmingham and Pontiac road is a separate suburban enterprise. Its cars enter the city over the Woodward avenue street car line.

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SITUATION IN AUSTRIA.

REVOLUTION IN THE RELATIONS WITH HUNGARY THREATENED.

Civil War Imminent—The British War in India—Depression in English Industries—German Reinforcements to Be Sent to China—The Dreyfus Affair.

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LONDON, December 4.—International questions have been temporarily overshadowed by the gravity of the situation in Austria, where things are as gloomy as imaginable. In addition to the imminence of a civil war, the next few hours may possibly witness a historic revolution in the relations between Austria and Hungary, which might mean the reconstruction of the map of Europe.

The question of the provisional Ausgleich bill (or agreement to prolong for a year, instead of ten years, the compact between Austria and Hungary, pending the arrangements for a longer compact) is, if possible, a question even more grave than the threatened civil war. The Hungarian diet has given Baron von Gautsch von Frankenthurn, the Austrian premier, until Monday next in which to state whether he can reasonably expect the Ausgleich bill to pass, and failing a decisive answer, Baron Banffich, the Hungarian premier, will introduce, on Monday, a bill whereby Hungary will act independently as regards the duties to be levied, continuance of commercial relations with Austria, and the renewal of the charter of the Austro-Hungarian Bank. The compact between the two portions of the dual State thus lapses and, though the *status quo* may be maintained temporarily, Hungary will establish her claim to the right of independently disposing of these questions. It is easy to see that victory will only whet the Hungarians' appetites, and that it will be but a short step to the dissolution of Austria, which in turn will hurl Europe into a furnace of terrible possibilities.

Apparently, the only hope of escape is that the personal ascendancy of the old Emperor will once again enable him to solve an apparently impossible situation. Failing in this, the Reichsrath will be dissolved and a reign of absolutism will begin in Austria and, technically, Hungary will have resumed her independence.

The Indian war continues on the old lines. The British advances and subsequent retirements leave but a small impression on the tribesmen who will not submit. The whole warfare is discouraging, as it promises to be inconclusive and looks as though the results might be summed up in a nut-shell—bloody war, weakened frontier, angered neighbors, thumping bill.

The fact that the engineer's conference has ended in a fiasco is no surprise, though much regretted. The extreme gravity of the situation cannot be overestimated.

The whole aspect of the industrial world is most depressing. In addition to the engineering troubles, the Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants has issued strike notices to 120,000 of its members, and the cotton industry is also threatened with paralysis. The contending factions are adamant; the men utterly refuse to arbitrate.

PARIS December 4.—All political and social interests continue to be merged in the case of Alfred Dreyfus, the former captain of French artillery, who is alleged to have been unjustly sentenced to imprisonment for life on the charge of having sold important plans of the French war department to agents of a foreign power. Everything else is neglected. The journals still devote endless columns in the biggest type to the affairs of Dreyfus, his friends and enemies and everybody in anyway connected with the case.

Everybody seems to be mixed up in the case, from the Pope to Emperor William of Germany, and syndicates and secret societies are said to be hard at work spending millions on one side or the other, and all France is in the throes of an agitation which is unparallelled since the days of Danton and Robespierre.

The military governor of Paris, Gen. Saussier, has ordered the formation of a courtmartial to examine into the charges brought against Count Ferdinand Walsin Esterhazy (the retired major of the French army who is accused of writing the letter which brought about the sentencing of Dreyfus to imprisonment for life), who is alleged to have admitted the authorship of letters published by the *Figaro* recently bitterly reflecting upon France and the French army.

As a result of some hot words exchanged during the Dreyfus debate in the Chamber of Deputies to-day, Joseph Reinach, Republican member representing the District of Digne, a well known newspaper man, sent his seconds to M. Millerand, the well known Socialist Republican. A duel with pistols has been arranged to take place between the men. M. Reinach has already fought duels with M Magnier and Paul Deroulede.

BERLIN, December 4.—The German reinforcement which will be sent to Kiao Chou bay consists of four companies of marines consisting of 23 officers and 1,200 men, a company of naval artillery numbering 200 men and sevral pieces of field artillery and machine-guns.

THE MOBILE POSTOFFICE.

Postmaster Rapier Refuses to Vacate Until the Term for Which He Was Appointed Expires.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

WASHINGTON, December 4.—Postmaster Rapier, of Mobile, Ala., who refuses to vacate his office in favor of the man appointed to succeed him, will continue to hold office until a legal opinion on his rights can be pronounced. Postoffice Inspector Tate has been instructed to remain at Mobile to await the action of the department, which has referred the matter to the law branch of the government. A decision is expected early next week. The issue the postmaster has raised as to the power of the President to remove him until his term of office expires or until his successor is confirmed by the Senate, department officials say, is covered by the recent decision of the United States Supreme Court in Parsons vs. the United States. On the strength of this decision they hold that Rapier's contention is unsound.

There was a long conference over the case in Postmaster General Gary's office this afternoon between the Postmaster General, Fourth Assistant Bristow, Assistant Attorney General Tyner and Chief Postoffice Inspector Hamlet. The conference, however, was without important result. Several ways of getting rid of the defying postmaster were discussed—by civil process, by arrest for obstructing the United States mail, or for interfering with the United States marshal, by having the new appointee act as postmaster regardless of the other, or other means. It was believed, however, that Postmaster Rapier would yield possession by Monday, and until then action has been suspended.

The weekly bank statement shows the following changes: Surplus, reserve, decrease $437,965; loans, increase $3,476,500; specie, increase $339,800; legal tenders, increase $827,000; deposits, increase $6,417,100; circulation, decrease $93 100. The banks now hold $22,122,950 in excess of the requirements of the 25 per cent. rule.

Nice assortment of Christmas presents on display at the C. W. Polvogt Co. †

HAWAII AND CUBA.

VIEWS OF MEMBERS OF THE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE.

Chairman Davis Says the Annexation Treaty Will Be Taken Up in the Senate Tuesday—Senator Frye Favors Action Favorable to the Cuban Insurgents.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 4.—Senator Davis, of Minnesota, chairman of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, was among the Congressional arrivals to-day. He stated that the Hawaiian annexation treaty would be taken up by the Senate next Tuesday, and be considered thereafter in executive session. As to the outlook for the ratification of the treaty the Senator declined to express an opinion, saying he had not canvassed the situation since the treaty was laid aside at the close of the extra session of Congress. Mr. Davis will not discuss the Cuban question.

Senator Frye, of Maine, who is next in rank to Mr. Davis on the Committee on Foreign Relations, is more outspoken as to Cuba. He said to-day that he was in favor of action favorable to the insurgents and that he believed it would be impossible to prevent some such expression in both House and Senate this session.

On the other hand Mr. Hale, of Maine, who led the fight against the Cuban resolution at the last session, expresses confidence in the conservative course of President McKinley as to the Cuban question and feels that this will have a material influence in preventing agitation.

Chairman Dingley, of the Ways and Means Committee, was among the arrivals to day. After conferring with Chairman Cannon, of the Committee on Appropriations, the general programme for the opening days of the House was mapped out. Mr. Dingley was informed that two appropriation bills—pensions and legislative, executive and judicial—were practically completed. It was determined then, therefore, to take these up at the outset. When they are out of the way it is probable that the bankruptcy legislation will have a hearing.

Representative Bailey, the Democratic leader on the floor of the House, arrived to-day. He said it was too early to outline the course of the minority in the House.

SMALLPOX IN CUBA.

Many Deaths From the Disease—Destructive Fire at Jaruaco — Spanish Reports of an Engagement With the Cubans.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

HAVANA, December 4.—News has been received here of a fire which occurred yesterday at Jaruaco, a town of 10,000 inhabitants, in this province. About 110 houses were destroyed, with nearly all their contents. No accurate estimate of the amount of damage can be made. Hundreds of families have been rendered homeless and the situation at Jaruaco is very distressing. The fire originated through an accident.

Reports from Pinar del Rio city say that smallpox is rapidly spreading there and that thirty deaths occurred recently from the disease. Many deaths from the same cause are reported from other towns. Dr. Jover, of the Havana Sanitary Board, has been commissioned to proceed to Pinar del Rio for the purpose of vaccinating the inhabitants and thus preventing the further spread of the scourge.

It is announced that the grinding of sugar cane will be begun before December 15th on the central plantations Constancia, Andrieta and Doshermanos in the Cienfuegos district.

According to announcement issued from Spanish headquarters this afternoon, the Spanish forces belonging to the Manzanillo division have had a sharp engagement with the insurgents at Piedra, province of Santiago de Cuba, with the result that they captured all the positions of the enemy and compelled the insurgents to retreat with numerous loss. "Owing to an accident to the field columns," the announcement continues, "twelve soldiers were killed and Major La Torre, Doctors Matorell and Siball, a chaplain attached to the Bazi battalion and thirty-eight soldiers were wounded."

The central plantations of the Majagua Valiente-Union district and those of the Nena-Matanzas have commenced grinding cane.

NORTH CAROLINA METHODISTS

Conference Will Make Appointments Monday and Adjourn—Will Meet Next Year in Elizabeth City.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RALEIGH, N. C., December 4.—The morning session of the North Carolina Methodist Conference to-day accepted an invitation to meet next year at Elizabeth City.

The reports from the preachers were concluded.

Rev. L. L. Bruce, a returned missionary from Brazil, spoke on the mission work of Methodism in that country.

In the afternoon the report on temperance, favoring using every effort to have the injurious effects of alcoholic drinks taught in the public schools, was adopted.

The Epworth League report recommended an Epworth League and Sunday School conference.

In the evening the report was read of the Board of Missions, which was gratifying. An address followed by Rev. Dr. Atkinson, of Nashville, secretary of the Sunday School Board of the M. E. Church South. The address was strong, emphasizing the fact that the gospel of missions should be preached in contradistinction to the gospel of collections—"Preach missions first," he said, "and let collections follow."

The conference will make appointments Monday and then adjourn to meet at Elizabeth City next year.

THE LUETGERT TRIAL.

Defence Likely to be Hampered in the Matter of Expert Testimony.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, December 4.—The defence in the Luetgert case is likely to be greatly hampered in the matter of expert testimony. It came to light during the proceedings to-day that Prof. John H. Long, of the Northwestern University, has practically refused to have any connection with the present trial. Prof. Long was one of the prominent experts at the former trial and did more work in the case than any other expert, with the possible exception of Dr. Riese. For his services at the former trial Prof. Long was paid $800. In his researches he spent more than this sum. According to the attorneys for the defence, there is no money available to recompense him for any further services.

A Paris dispatch says that the septuagenarian Marchioness d'Hicquelles committed suicide last night in a garret in the Rue de Belloy by inhaling charcoal fumes.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

Will Meet in Oxford—Financial and Other Statistics of the Church—M. E. Conference—New Banks to Be Started.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., December 4.

The Baptist State Convention will meet in its sixty-seventh annual session December 9th, with the church at Oxford. Dr. A. C. Barron, of Charlotte, will preach the annual sermon. Rev. J. E. White, the secretary of the denomination, gives out the following statement: Reports in hand show churches, 1,400; membership, 140,000; preachers, 700; baptized during the year, 8,500. Financial statistics are as follows: Missions (State, home and foreign), $30,000; education of ministers, $2,400; orphanage, $5,000. Total for all objects, $325,000. These figures do not include the Western North Carolina Convention, which reports 21,000 members. Secretary White regards the year's work as one of the best in the sixty-seven years' history of the denomination. When the convention was organized in 1830 there were only 15,000 members of the church in the State. Including the colored Baptists there are now 325,000 members in the State.

Claude M. Bernard is making the effort of a life time to land the district attorneyship of this district. He has the backing of Senator Wilson of the State of Washington, in addition to Congressman Harry Skinner. A gentleman just from Washington City says that it is impossible to tell who will get the appointment. My informant says that the report that Judge Dick will retire in the early Spring is entirely true. He says Senator Pritchard, moreover, is considering the advisability of succeeding him on the Bench.

The Conference appointments will not be announced until Monday.

It is said that an effort is being made to establish another bank in Morganton.

A new bank is to be started in Smithfield, Johnston county.

PENDER COUNTY NEWS.

Convention of Presbyterian Elders and Deacons—The Strawberry Crop, Etc.

[*Star Correspondence.*]

BURGAW, Dec. 4, 1897.

This section has prepared for a largely increased crop of strawberries, which promises well and will help our farmers in these days of 5½-cent cotton. There is much hog and hominy, peas, potatoes and an unusual supply of game.

The Pender County Presbyterian Convention of Elders and Deacons met here to-day and determined to unite in building the manse at Burgaw, for which ground is being broken on a lot next the church. Rev. Paul C. Morton, of Wilmington, came up and preached last night. He addressed the convention today. Subject: "The Elders that rule well, and Deacon Stephen, filled with the Holy Ghost, the first Christian martyr."

The Convention then discussed many instructive and interesting topics, Elder Moore acting as moderator and Elder Hank as secretary. The different topics were discussed by Pastor J. Stanley Thomas, Rev. P. C. Morton and Elders and Deacons Cowan, Collins, Moore, Banner, Black, Croom, and others.

The zealous young pastor has a large, influential charge. Energetic steps are being taken to rebuild Ruth Church.

WEYLER AT PALMA.

Banquetted by the Military Club—Mysterious Utterances That Cause Excitement in Madrid.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

PALMA, ISLAND OF MAJORCA, December 4.—The military club yesterday gave a lunch in honor of General Weyler, the former Captain-General of Cuba. The military governor of Majorca was among the guests. When General Weyler entered the banquet hall the band in attendance played the royal hymn, and the General, stopping the music momentarily, proposed a toast to the King and Queen Regent, which was enthusiastically received.

MADRID, December 4.—The newspapers of this city are excited over the mysterious words attributed to Gen. Weyler after he had proposed the toast at the military club banquet in his honor, at Palma, island of Majorca. The General is quoted as having added: "So long as their majesties are the heads of the state they will be the heads of the country and of the army."

The minister for the colonies, Senor Mora has received a dispatch from Marshal Blanco, the captain general of Cuba, saying: "I have to day sent the following telegram to our minister at Washington: 'There is no need for foreign help to provide for the wants of this islands or its inhabitants. The Government, from its own resources, is endeavoring to provide for the necessities; the need of which, moreover, is diminishing rapidly.'"

The floating treasury debt was increased during the month of November by 28,500,000 pesatas.

GERMANY THREATENS HAYTI.

Will Bombard Coast Forts and Perhaps the City If Demands are Refused.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BERLIN, December 4.—The semi-official *Post* to-day says:

"Should Hayti refuse the German demands, (for an indemnity on account of the alleged illegal arrest and imprisonment of Herr Leuders a German subject, at Port-au Prince), sharp measures will follow. We shall first bombard the coast forts, and if they are persistent we shall bombard the city and the government buildings."

KILLED HIS WIFE.

The Crime of Souly Ryan of Greensboro—Arrest of the Murderer.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

GREENSBORO, N. C., December 4.—Souly Ryan, shot and killed his wife this evening. He was captured by the police soon after committing the crime and while being taken to jail a brother of the woman attempted to shoot him. No cause is given for the act.

WARM WIRELETS

The latest mail from Guatemala conveys the information that President Barrios is threatened with another uprising.

A dispatch to the Turkish legation at Washington says: "The definite treaty of peace between the Sublime Porte and Greece has been signed this day."

Archie Lockey who committed a triple murder in King and Queen county, Va., was found guilty and sentenced to be hanged on the 14th of January next.

A deed of assignment has been made by the United States Tobacco Company, Richmond, Va., to J. W. Wright, trustee. The liabilities are estimated at $80,000.

Virgil Stanley, who murdered his brother-in-law in Wayne county, Va., escaped from the Wayne county jail yesterday morning after a desperate encounter with Jailor Booth

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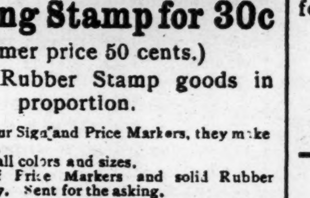

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